



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

Music

Syllabus

Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty Board of Arts and Social Sciences on 26 September 2014, and is valid from the Autumn semester of 2014 at Karlstad University.

Course Code: MIGDK2

Music in Lower Secondary Education, 30.0 ECTS Credits

(Musik i klass: årskurs 7-9, 30.0 Swedish credit points)

Degree Level: Bachelor

Progressive Specialisation: G1F (First cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements)

Language of Instruction

Swedish

Prerequisites

Pedagogics, Educational Work, Educational Studies 30 ECTS cr or equivalent

Major Field of Study

Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the course, students should be able to:

1. describe and argue for pedagogical choices on the basis of research in music education,
2. describe and reflect on assessment problems in relation to assessment research and current grading scale
3. give an account of and critically review how ICT can be used in teaching music in lower secondary education
4. sing and accompany themselves on the piano or guitar to a group
5. play and demonstrate instrument playing in a accompanying band
6. plan a series of music lessons in lower secondary education and argue for choices made in the planning and perform some of the lessons
7. give an account of and lead music making components on the basis of other art forms in the classroom setting
8. demonstrate examples of how digital tools can be used in musical instruction in lower secondary education.

Content and Form of Instruction

The course comprises 2 modules with the following main components:

Module 1 Music, Music Teaching and Music Making 15 ECTS cr

- planning, evaluating and assessing music teaching in line with current curriculum and grading scale
- survey of the world's supply of music: influence, ends and means, gender and cultural and historical aspects
- the multicultural role of the subject music in school
- students' music consumption in the classroom
- children with special needs in the music classroom
- creative exercises to inspire students' music creation
- the theory and practice of teaching in creative processes.

Module 2 Making Music, Teaching, and Digital Tools (15 ECTS cr)

- playing chord and accompanying instrument and singing
- pedagogical perspectives on and methods for music making in groups
- ICT in the learning process
- creating music with digital tools
- developing skills in using technical equipment relevant for music teaching in lower secondary education

Instruction is mainly in the form of groups, lectures, and seminars

Reading List

See separate document.

Examination

Assessment is based on:

Learning outcomes 1-2: orally in groups and an individual hand-in assignment.

Learning outcome 3: orally and practically in groups and an individual hand-in assignment.

Learning outcomes 4-5: practical and sounding performance.

Learning outcomes 6-7: practically, orally and sounding performance, and an individual hand-in assignment.

Learning outcome 8: practically, orally and sounding

Grades

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G) or Fail (U) is awarded in the examination of the course. The grade of Distinction is awarded students who have earned this grade for at least 15 ECTS cr of the course total (30 ECTS cr).

Quality Assurance

Follow-up relating to learning conditions and goal-fulfilment takes place both during and upon completion of the course in order to ensure continuous improvement. Course assessment is based on student views and experiences as reported in written course evaluations and/or group discussions. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of the measures to be taken.

Course Certificate

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

Additional Information

Students who enrolled before 1 July 2007 will complete their studies in accordance with the requirements of the earlier admission. Upon completion students may request degree and course certificates to be issued under the current ordinance if they meet its requirements.

The local regulations for studies at the Bachelor's and Master's levels at Karlstad University stipulate the obligations and rights of students and staff.