



Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences  
Swedish Language

# Syllabus

## Rhetoric I

<b>Course Code:</b>	S1GAR1
<b>Course Title:</b>	Rhetoric I <i>Retorik I</i>
<b>Credits:</b>	7.5
<b>Degree Level:</b>	Undergraduate level
<b>Progressive Specialisation:</b>	First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements (G1N)

**Major Field of Study:**  
SVE (The Swedish Language)

### Course Approval

The syllabus was approved by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences 2016-08-24, and is valid from the Spring semester 2017 at Karlstad University.

### Prerequisites

General admission requirements.

### Learning Outcomes

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

- 1) give an account of the theory and history of classical rhetoric,
- 2) give an account of differences between oral and written communication and discuss how these differences can be taken into account in the performance of planned oral presentations,
- 3) make use of the theory of classical rhetoric to plan and deliver oral presentations of various kinds,
- 4) discuss adaptations of planned speeches in response to changed outer circumstances, and
- 5) give constructive feedback to others' oral presentations and make use of others' response on their own oral presentations to evaluate their own performance.

### Content

The course covers the theory, history, and methods of classical rhetoric. Students learn to apply the theory through the planning and delivering of various kinds of speeches as well as through written reflections. Giving constructive feedback and participating in discussions on alternative speech formats is a central part of the course.

### Reading List

See separate document.

### Examination

Learning outcome 1 is assessed on the basis of an individual written assignment.

Learning outcomes 2 and 3 are assessed on the basis of individual oral presentations, participation in oral group discussions, and an individual written assignment.

Learning outcome 4 is assessed on the basis of participation in oral group discussions.

Learning outcome 5 is assessed on the basis of participation in oral group discussions and an individual written assignment.

### **Grades**

One of the grades Distinction (VG), Pass (G), or Fail (U), is awarded in the examination of the course.

### **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 evaluation is partly based on student views and experiences obtained in accordance with current regulations and partly on other data and documentation. Students will be informed of the result of the evaluation and of any measures to be taken.

### **Course Certificate**

A course certificate will be provided upon request.

### **Additional information**

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