



Course syllabus

Faculty of Social Sciences

Department of Education and Teachers' Practice

1GN252 Svenska I för undervisning i förskoleklass och årskurs 1-3/verksamhetsintegrerad profil, 15 högskolepoäng

Swedish I for Teaching in Primary Teacher Programme with a Specialisation in Pre-school and Years 1-3/Teaching Practice, 15 credits

Main field of study

Educational Sciences

Subject

Educational Sciences/General Didactics

Level

First cycle

Progression

G1N

Date of Ratification

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2024.

Prerequisites

General entry requirements + English 6, Mathematics 2a alt. Mathematics 2b alt. Mathematics 2c, Science studies 1b alt. Science studies 1a1+1a2 and Civics 1b alt. Civics 1a1 +1a2.

Objectives

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

- demonstrate the subject and subject-didactic knowledge required for professional practice in preschool class and years 1-3,
- observe, map, document and assess pupils' learning of reading and writing in relation to the different organisational objectives and guidelines for preschool class and years 1-3 ,
- describe how prerequisites are created for all pupils to learn and develop reading and writing skills,
- demonstrate knowledge of the importance of play to incipient literacy learning,
- demonstrate communicative skills in listening, speaking and writing in didactic contexts,
- adhere to basic rules of linguistic correctness in texts written by hand as well as on computer.

Module 1: Learn to Read and Write, 7.5 credits

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

- account for theoretical and didactic perspectives on children's language development,
- demonstrate knowledge of phonology, morphology and syntax,
- account for the pupils' language and literacy development with regard to their age, gender and linguistic background,
- account for how pupils' language and literacy develop,
- describe the relation between play and learning in relation to language activities,
- apply relevant concepts focusing on language, reading and writing processes.

Module 2: Reading and Writing Instruction, 7.5 credits

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

- demonstrate awareness of how teachers can create learning situations so that all pupils develop their language, reading and writing skills,
- apply subject didactic competence with regard to various perspectives on methods and models, as well as analyse how these may be expressed during teaching,
- observe and identify any impediments to pupils' reading and writing development,
- observe, map, document and assess all pupils' reading and writing development,
- apply subject didactic competence in relation to the various ways pupils think, understand and learn within the field of language, reading and writing development,
- on the basis of a well-founded theoretical reasoning, make both short-term and long-term plans of reading and writing activities.

Content

The aim is for students to acquire advanced knowledge of the fundamental reading and writing process. The course covers various perspectives on current reading and writing research. The course illustrates and problematises the relationship between goal-oriented work, play and teaching. Major emphasis is placed on the students being encouraged to acquire a readiness to meet and understand the ways in which pupils, in both first and second languages, develop reading and writing skills. The course also deals with social and cultural aspects on learning and teaching in reading and writing.

Early efforts to prevent reading and writing difficulties are studied and discussed. Furthermore, the ability to didactically work with and reflect on the content of literacy learning and the design of teaching in preschool and year 1 is focused upon.

The relation to the professional practice is strengthened through work-integrated learning.

Professional Basis and Professional Progression

The course emphasises the importance of being able to account for the structure and key concepts of the subject Swedish related to fundamental skills, based on school policy documents. The course includes elements on how the contents of Swedish as a subject can be put in relation to gender, class and linguistic background. Various kinds of documentation and assessment of the pupils' knowledge of the subject are also discussed, as well as different types of educational materials and their application in teaching. Elements such as presentations in larger as well as smaller groups are included, with the aim of contributing to the development of the students' communicative skills in listening, speaking and writing.

Scientific Approach and Scientific Learning

The course introduces interviews as a technique in which students practice dialogue with pupils. Students conduct, process and present their interviews held with pupils. They shall also be able to present results from research relevant to the field and the profession. In connection with these assignments, the students shall be able to define a problem relevant to the field and the profession, as well as collect, process and communicate observations made.

Learn to read and write 7.5 credits

In the module, the relation surrounding play and learning and the relation between the various assignments in preschool class and compulsory school are problematised. The course deals with theoretical and didactic perspectives on language, reading and writing development. These include reading and writing processes as well as reading comprehension and strategies for interpreting texts of different kinds. The course observes prerequisites for good reading and writing development which include factors connected to both individual and context. The relationship between concept and vocabulary development and reading and writing ability is studied and discussed.

Reading and writing instruction 7.5 credits

The module illustrates and problematises working practices, methods and models for promoting reading and writing development. On the basis of school policy documents, planning of reading and writing tuition, mapping as well as assessment of pupils' reading and writing development are focused upon. Analyses of pupil texts and textbook texts are carried out. The module also aims to make students aware of pupils who display difficulties with reading and writing as well as, on the basis of this, reflect on causes and possible educational support.

Type of Instruction

Teaching is carried out in the form of lectures, seminars, individual and group assignments, methodology sessions and work-integrated learning.

Seminars, methodology sessions and practice-integrated learning are compulsory.

Examination

The course is assessed with the grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG).

In order to receive a grade of Pass, the course objectives must be attained. To be awarded a grade of Pass with Distinction in the course, it is required that both modules are graded as Pass with Distinction.

Examination of module 1 takes place by means of one individual written assignment and five individual oral assignments, where three of which shall be based on individual written documents.

Examination of module 2 takes place by means of one individual written assignment and four individual oral assignments, where three of which shall be based on individual written documents.

A retake of the examination is provided in accordance with the Local Regulations for First-Cycle and Second-Cycle Courses and Examination at Linnaeus University.

Should the university determine that a student is entitled to special educational support due to impairment, the examiner may provide the student with an adapted test or the student may carry out the examination in an alternative way.

Course Evaluation

A course evaluation is carried out either during or at the end of the course. Results and analysis of the evaluation are presented to the students who have completed the course as well as to new students at the following course date. The course evaluation is conducted anonymously.

Other Information

The course is included in the Primary Teacher Programme.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Learn to read and write 7.5 credits

Alatalo, Tarja, (ed.) (latest edition). *Läsundervisningens grunder*. Malmö: Gleerups. (317 p.)

Forsling, Karin & Tjernberg, Catharina. (Eds.) (Latest edition). *Skrivundervisningens grunder*. Malmö: Gleerups, (336 p.)

Herrlin, Katarina, Frank, Elisabeth & Ackesjö, Helena. (Latest edition). *Förskoleklassens didaktik. Möjligheter och utmaningar*. Stockholm: Natur och Kultur, (205 p.)

Lundberg, Ingvar. (Latest edition). *Bornholmsmodellen. Vägen till läsning. Språklekar i förskoleklass*. Stockholm: Natur och Kultur. (142 p.)

Norén, Sofia. (Ed.) (Latest edition). *Lära barn att läsa: vägen från fonologisk medvetenhet till god läsförståelse*. Stockholm: LegiLexi, (230 p.)

Scientific publications included (50 p.)

Also included are current policy documents. See www.skolverket.se

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Alatalo, Tarja, (ed.) (latest edition). *Läsundervisningens grunder*. Malmö: Gleerups. (317 p.)

Chambers, Aidan. (Latest edition). *Böcker inom oss. Om boksamtal*. Stockholm: Norstedts, (170 p.)

Forsling, Karin & Tjernberg, Catharina. (Eds.) (Latest edition). *Skrivundervisningens grunder*. Malmö: Gleerups, (336 p.)

Lundberg, Ingvar och Herrlin, Katarina. (Latest edition). *God läsutveckling - kartläggning och övningar*. Stockholm: Natur & Kultur, (78 p.)

Norén, Sofia. (Ed.) (Latest edition). *Lära barn att läsa: vägen från fonologisk medvetenhet till god läsförståelse*. Stockholm: LegiLexi, (230 p.)

Wennås, Birgitta. (Latest edition). *Processkrivning*. Stockholm: Förlagshuset Gothia, (72 p.)

Scientific publications included (50 p.)

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