



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Arts and Humanities  
Department of Languages

4EN602 English for Research Writing, 10 högskolepoäng  
English for Research Writing, 10 credits

**Main field of study**  
English

**Subject Group**  
English

**Level of classification**  
Second Level

**Progression**  
A1N

**Date of Ratification**  
Approved 2010-12-06  
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The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2015

**Prerequisites**  
Advanced level degree

### Objectives

After completing the course, students will know how to construct and write an academic paper in their field of research.

### Content

The focus on the course is on integrated structural and linguistic guidelines for different sections of academic papers: title, abstract, summary, introduction, method, results, discussion, and conclusion. Discourse patterns which are generally relevant to scientific writing and the language signals which indicate them are studied and explained.

### Type of Instruction

Face-to-face meetings are held using web-based communication tools.

### Examination

The course is assessed with the grades Fail (U), Pass (G) or Pass with Distinction (VG).  
In order to receive the grade of Pass, the expected learning outcomes must be achieved. The grading criteria for the grade of Pass with Distinction can be found in the study guidance material.

Written assignments and other exercises are conducted continually and placed in the discussion forum on the course homepage.

All assignments are mandatory and the student is expected to complete them during the course. For students who fail to earn a Pass grade at the first examination opportunity, a maximum of four additional examination opportunities will be provided.

### Course Evaluation

Teaching is continually evaluated throughout the semester.

At the end of the course, a written course evaluation is performed and compiled into a report. The evaluation report is available to students and is filed and stored according to departmental regulations.

### Required Reading and Additional Study Material

#### Compulsory literature

All the material used in the course is available on the learning platform.

#### Reference texts

Björk, Lennart & Räisänen, Christine. 2003. *Academic writing: a university writing course*. Lund: Studentlitteratur. ISBN: 91-44-03074-6

Collins COBUILD. 2006. *Advanced Learner's English Dictionary*. 5th edition. London: Harper Collins. 1760 p. ISBN: 978-0007210121

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Day, Robert A. 2006. *How to Write and Publish a Scientific Paper*. 6th edition. Westport: Greenwood. 296 p. ISBN: 1-57356-164-9

Pecorari, Diane. 2004. Constructing authorial voice through citation. from de Geer, Boel & Malmbjer, Anna. *Språk på tvärs. Rapport från ASLA:s höstsymposium Södertörn*, 11-12 november 2004.