



Course syllabus

Faculty of Arts and Humanities

Department of Languages

4TY01E Examensarbete, tyska - magister, 15 högskolepoäng

Master Thesis in German, 15 credits

Main field of study

German

Subject Group

German

Level of classification

Second Level

Progression

A1E

Date of Ratification

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The course syllabus is valid from autumn semester 2019

Prerequisites

German 1–90 credits or the equivalent.

Objectives

After completing the course, the student should be able to:

- formulate a problem to form the basis for the independent project on the basis of well-justified choices,
- conduct a project in which the parts constitute a logical whole,
- formulate a clear aim and research questions relevant to the subject,
- systematically present and problematise previous research and demonstrate how this relates to the aim of the project,
- present and use relevant theoretical perspectives and concepts,
- describe and justify their research method,
- analyse material in relation to their aim, research questions and a clear theoretical perspective,
- discuss and draw conclusions of their analysis and relate this to previous research and their chosen theoretical perspective,
- present a project in German which is well-disposed and functional with regard to language, form and referencing,
- defend their project with objective and relevant arguments,
- review another student's project and present constructive criticism.

Content

The course is based on the previous courses in German. The students work with their independent projects by developing the theoretical and thematic issues discussed in previous courses. The independent project is written in German and the topic is chosen in consultation with the examiner/supervisor.

Type of Instruction

The course includes compulsory seminars in which the students present their independent project and read and comment on other students' projects. The seminars might include students from several subject areas discussing similar research questions. The independent project is presented continuously in accordance with a schedule decided by the supervisor, and defended in a final seminar.

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 student must achieve all objectives. Grading criteria for the grade of Pass with Distinction (VG) can be found in the study guidelines. The course is examined at a seminar at the end of the course. In cases when the students have worked in pairs, the individual students' contributions should be identified and assessed individually.

For students who do not pass the first examinations, retake examinations are provided in accordance with local regulations at the university.

Course Evaluation

At the end of the course, a course evaluation is conducted and compiled into a report, which is made available to students and filed according to departmental regulations.

Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Literature is chosen in consultation with the supervisor.