



## Course syllabus

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Department of Film and Literature

5LI01E Examensarbete i litteraturvetenskap, master, 30  
högskolepoäng

Master's Thesis in Comparative Literature, 30 credits

**Main field of study**

Comparative Literature

**Subject Group**

Comparative Literature

**Level of classification**

Second Level

**Progression**

A2E

**Date of Ratification**

Approved 2009-06-16

Revised 2019-03-12 by School of Language and Literature. Revised prerequisites.

The course syllabus is valid from spring semester 2020

**Prerequisites**

1–90 credits in Comparative Literature including an independent project of at least 15 credits and 30 credits in Comparative Literature at the second level.

Swedish B and English B.

### Objectives

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

- demonstrate advanced abilities to discuss and interpret literary texts,
- account for literary theories and methods,
- demonstrate advanced knowledge in a chosen field of specialisation,
- conduct theoretically well-founded literary interpretations, in both speech and writing,
- write an essay in which literary text is analysed using appropriate theories and methods and the analysis is related to relevant literary research.

### Content

This course builds on the students' subject courses in comparative literature or the equivalent. The theoretical and thematic perspectives of these courses are discussed in an individual essay which is presented and discussed continuously in compulsory seminars. The course also includes reading and discussing other essays and a final seminar in which the student defends their own essay and acts as an opponent for another essay.

### Type of Instruction

Teaching is delivered in the form of compulsory seminars and individual supervision.

### Examination

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

The course is examined through an essay and a seminar in which the student defends their own essay and acts as an opponent for another essay. Opposition and defence are important parts of the examination and taken into account in grading.

In order to receive the grade of Pass, the student must achieve the objectives. Grading criteria for the grade of Pass with Distinction will be specified when the course starts. 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. Results and analysis of the course evaluation are communicated to the students who have taken the course and the students who are taking the course when it is offered the next time.

The evaluation is anonymous. The course evaluation is filed according to departmental regulations.

### Required Reading and Additional Study Material

Literature is chosen in consultation with the supervisor, ca. 3,000 pages.