



## DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

### **GRE122 Early Christian Greek Texts, 7.5 higher education credits**

Tidigkristna grekiska texter, 7,5 högskolepoäng

*First Cycle*

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#### **Confirmation**

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Languages and Literatures on 2014-09-01 and was last revised on 2016-09-09 to be valid from 2017-01-16, spring semester of 2017.

*Field of education:* Arts 100%

*Department:* Department of Languages and Literatures

#### **Position in the educational system**

The course GRE122, Early Christian Greek texts, 7.5 credits, is given as a freestanding course but can also be included in Ancient Greek, Advanced course (GRE120).

First cycle

*Main field of studies*

Ancient Greek

*Specialization*

G1F, First Cycle, has less than 60 credits in first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

#### **Entry requirements**

To be admitted to the course, students must have a pass grade on the course GRE111, Ancient Greek, Basic course part 1, 15 credits; or a pass grade on the course RKT125, the New Testament with Greek, Advanced course, 15 credits; or the equivalent thereof.

#### **Learning outcomes**

On successful completion of the course the student will be able to:

## Knowledge and understanding

- know the more important early Christian texts and their content,
- know at a general level the cultural and historical environment in which the texts were written,

## Competence and skills

- translate and interpret the Greek texts that are studied in the course
- use dictionaries and other aids for translation,

## Judgement and approach

- discuss the role of the early Christian texts in early Christianity.

## Course content

The course aims to give increased skills in linguistic interpretation of early Christian Greek texts as well as give a wider knowledge of the Greek language and the environment and history of early Christianity. The focus is on the Apostolic Fathers (the decades around year 100 A.D). During the course, extracts from Didaché and from Clemens' first letter to the Corinthians are read as well as a letter by Ignatios in Greek. Furthermore, a selection of older Christian texts are studied in translation.

## Form of teaching

*Language of instruction:* Swedish

## Assessment

To what extent the student has achieved the aim of the course is tested through active participation in discussions.

A student has the right to request a change of examiner if he or she has failed twice on the same exam, if this is practically possible. The application shall be sent to the board of the department and has to be in writing.

**Grades**

The grading scale comprises: Pass with Distinction (VG), Pass (G) and Fail (U).

For the grade Pass, a good translation of the Greek text is required as well as the student demonstrating in his or her thesis a good knowledge of the early Christian literary and cultural environments. For the grade Pass with distinction is required an excellent translation of the Greek text as well as the student showing in his or her thesis a very good knowledge of the early Christian literary and cultural environments.

**Course evaluation**

The students are given the opportunity to make a written evaluation of the course. The results of the evaluation are published digitally.

**Additional information**

Equality aspects should be taken in consideration in content, literature, teaching and evaluation. In addition, where relevant, the course should make students aware of and problematise ecological, economic, cultural and socially sustainable development.