



## DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

### **TY1114 German: Use of language: Modern Spoken and Written German, 7.5 credits**

Tyska, Språkanvändning: Modern tyska i tal och skrift, 7,5 högskolepoäng

*First Cycle*

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#### **Confirmation**

This course syllabus was confirmed by Department of Languages and Literatures on 2015-03-06 and was last revised on 2019-08-16 to be valid from 2020-01-20, spring semester of 2020.

*Field of education:* Arts 100%

*Department:* Department of Languages and Literatures

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

The course TY1114 is given as a freestanding course. This course, together with the courses TY1113, TY1115 and TY1116, corresponds to the introductory course TY1110.

#### *Main field of studies*

German

#### *Specialization*

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

#### **Entry requirements**

General entrance requirements for university studies and the Swedish upper secondary course German 3 or equivalent or German, Beginners Course 2, 15 credits (TY1032).

#### **Learning outcomes**

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

*Knowledge and understanding*

- both orally and in writing use knowledge of the structure of different text types and lexical distinctive features;

*Competence and skills*

- use correct, varied and idiomatic German in speech and writing as well as demonstrate skills in reading and listening comprehension, conversation/oral and interaction at a level that corresponds to B1- B2 according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages;
- analyse the grammatical structures of the German language in order to achieve correctness in written and oral language production;

*Judgement and approach*

- critically reflect on the reference material used in the course and on his/her own learning process.

**Course content**

In this module, students develop their language proficiency both through their own text and speech production and through analysis of their own texts and those of others. The module contains exercises to help understand spoken German and to communicate in German in different situations and in different subject areas. Strong emphasis is also placed on students' actively practicing vocabulary, phraseology and pronunciation. In the module, written production is practiced through exercises where the goal is grammatical correctness and idiomaticity as well as the adaptation of the language to different text types. The students work with a broad spectrum of different types of texts.

**Form of teaching**

The course is given either as an on-campus course or as an online course. The teaching on the on-campus course includes lectures and seminars. The teaching on the online course includes web-based activities on virtual learning platform and web-based

seminars.

*Language of instruction:* Swedish and German

### **Assessment**

Examination takes place continuously during the course in the form of oral and written presentations. For components of assessing type, compulsory attendance applies.

A student who has failed a course item is eligible for a retake exam/assignment. In connection with written assignments, supplementary assignments may be offered in order for the student to achieve a Pass grade. Such a supplementary assignment should be done within the stipulated time (normally five working days after the result has been posted). Otherwise a Fail grade will be reported.

A student who has passed a subtest may not do a new test for a higher grade. Nor do students have the right to withdraw a submitted test and in such a way avoid being graded.

If a student who has failed the same examined course component twice, wishes to change examiner before the next examination, a written application should be sent to the department responsible for the course and be granted unless there are special reasons to the contrary. (Chapter 6, Section 22, Higher Education Ordinance).

In case the course is discontinued or goes through major changes, examination is available for a maximum number of three attempts (including the regular examination) for a period of one year on the basis of the previous set-up of the course. As regards internships/placement the same as above applies, with the exception that examination is offered on only one occasion.

### **Grades**

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

To be awarded the grade of Pass, students have to fulfil the requirements for a Pass grade such as stated in the expected learning outcomes. To be awarded the grade of Pass with distinction, students also need to be able to generalise more independently the skills and knowledge acquired in the course when used in new contexts and situations, i.e. more independently make analyses and syntheses; For the grade of Pass with distinction, it is also required that students have a linguistic ability to express more complicated argumentation patterns without making too elementary linguistic errors regarding pronunciation, vocabulary and grammar.

**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**

The course may be included in a Bachelor's Degree with German as the main field of study but not together with the introductory course in German, TY1110.

In case the student follows the web-based specialisation of the course, the student is expected to have access to a computer with Internet connection as well as a headset with a microphone and headphones.

Equality aspects should be taken into consideration in content, literature, teaching and evaluation.