

English

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English 1: Oral and Written Communication Course Guide

The Course Structure

The course consists of three modules: Written English, Pronunciation, and Oral Presentation.

What Is Compulsory?

All exams, both written (including take-home exams) and oral, are compulsory. In addition, there are a number of oral and hand-in written assignments. Note that written assignments (e.g. take-home exams and sometimes text notes) must be sent via Urkund/Ouriginal or Lisam.

Attendance and active participation in seminars is compulsory, whereas attendance in lectures is strictly speaking optional (though strongly recommended).

The following provides a more detailed breakdown of what is compulsory:

Written Proficiency (skriftlig språkfärdighet)

Written English: active participation in seminars (at least 80% attendance = 7/9) as well as written hand-in assignments. Homework before each seminar is compulsory and those tasks must be brought to the classroom.

Language Proficiency Exam 2 (translation & essay writing)

Oral Proficiency (muntlig språkfärdighet)

Pronunciation: pronunciation test

Oral Presentation: seminars/debates/presentation

Grading Criteria

Below follows an overview of the grading criteria for the various course modules. How – exactly – these are tested can be seen in the overview of the Ladok codes at the end of the online syllabus, and more detailed information will also be provided by the respective teachers/course material.

Written English

Language Proficiency Exam 2

G

The student expresses him- or herself idiomatically in writing, using a basic but academic English vocabulary, and displays knowledge of grammatical structures, also from a contrastive perspective.

VG

The student shows idiomatic confidence in his or her writing, displaying both an academic English vocabulary, and an ability to adapt his or her language to different language contexts, also from a contrastive perspective.

Pronunciation

Pronunciation Test

G

The student is able to decipher phonetic transcription at a satisfactory level. He or she can pronounce the most important phonemes in Standard British or American English without making any errors that hinder communication.

Oral Presentation

G

The student is able to argue for a given position in discussion/debate with others, as well as respond to other students' criticism of said position in fluent English. The student is able to communicate in English without making too many grammatical errors and without making errors that hinder communication. The student is also able to give an oral presentation, using such English that does not hinder communication.

VG

The student is able to argue for a given position in discussion/debate with others, as well as respond to other students' criticism of said position in fluent English. The student is able to communicate in English without making too many grammatical errors and without making errors that hinder communication.

The student is also able to give an oral presentation, using fluent English and a vocabulary suited to the topic and the situation at hand. The student shows confidence in delivering the presentation, and the presentation itself has a clear structure which is easy to follow.

Breakdown of ECTS Credits

Exam code	Description	No of credits
TEN4	Language Proficiency Exam 2 (translation & essay; U/VG)	4.0
MUN3	Pronunciation Test (U/G)	1.0
RED1	Oral Presentation (U/VG)	1.5
FÄR1	Active participation in seminars (U/G)	1.0

TOTAL: 7.5 ECTS credits