

# English for Upper-Secondary Teachers, 91-105 hp Autumn Term 2021

Course code: 9AEN73

## **COURSE GUIDE**

### The Course Structure

The course consists of four course modules, two of which are more geared to teaching language and literature: *Task-Based Grammar* (or *Second Language Pedagogy* if you previously took this course in English 61-90 hp) and *Teaching Literature*, and two of which provide greater methodological and theoretical depth to your English studies in both language and literature: *Classroom Interaction* and *Critical Engagements*.

The following provides a more detailed breakdown of the course modules and examinations:

#### Task-Based Grammar

Teachers: Lari-Valtteri Suhonen

**Teaching:** task-based grammar seminars.

Content: Further practical, methodological and theoretical studies in pedagogical grammar

based on a task-based approach.

**Examination:** written lesson plans & theoretical justification. Compulsory attendance  $(100\%)^1$  and active participation in seminars, including an oral presentation/critical discussion of the

lesson plans.

or

## Second Language Pedagogy (offered only in the spring term)

**Teacher:** Emile Farmer

**Teaching:** language pedagogy seminars.

**Content:** Critical review of main movements in language teaching over the last sixty years.

Examination: written lesson plan. Compulsory attendance and active participation in seminars,

including an oral presentation/critical discussion of the lesson plans.

## Classroom Interaction

Teachers: Nigel Musk, Leelo Keevallik & Lotta Plejert

Teaching: introductory lectures and workshops; pairwork (for empirical study).

Content: How to analyse talk, interaction and learning in the English foreign language

classroom, leading to an independent empirical study of some interactional phenomenon.

**Examination:** compulsory attendance at introductions and workshops (100%)<sup>1</sup>, transcriptions of video recordings (verbal and multimodal), producing and presenting a research poster and

discussing others' posters, as well as writing a final research report.

## Teaching Literature

Teacher: Maria Strääf

**Teaching:** teaching literature seminars.

**Content:** Further practical, methodological and theoretical studies in teaching literature.

**Examination:** written lesson plans & theoretical justification. Compulsory attendance  $(100\%)^2$  and active participation in seminars, including an oral presentation/critical discussion of the lesson plans.

## Critical Engagements

Teachers: Anna Watz & Maria Strääf

**Teaching:** introductory lecture and themed literature seminars.

**Content:** More advanced studies in English literature and literary theory and method. Discussions of English literature from the 1970s onwards in dialogue with a number of theoretical perspectives.

**Examination:** compulsory attendance and prepared oral participation in seminars<sup>3</sup>, two written home assignments and one final essay.

The grading criteria for each course module can be found in Lisam.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> There will be written make-up work for missing any introductions and workshops (see timetable).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> There will be written make-up work for missing any introductions and workshops (see timetable).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> There can be written make-up work for missing one seminar only. If a student misses more than one seminar, they will have to re-take the module the following year.

## Breakdown of ECTS Credits:

| Exam code | Description                                                      | N <u>o</u> of credits |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| PRO1      | Teaching Literature: lesson plan & justification                 | 2.5                   |
| OBL1      | Teaching Literature: active participation in seminars            | 0                     |
| PRO2      | Task-based Grammar: lesson plan & justification                  | 2.5                   |
| OBL2      | Task-based Grammar: active participation in seminars             | 0                     |
| STN2      | Critical Engagements: take-home exam                             | 4                     |
| OBL4      | Critical Engagements: active participation in seminars           | 0                     |
| STN1      | Classroom Interaction: Transcriptions of video recordings        | 1                     |
| PRO3      | Classroom Interaction: empirical study (poster & poster session) | 3                     |
| RAP1      | Classroom Interaction: final report of empirical study           | 2                     |
| OBL3      | Classroom Interaction: active participation in workshops         | 0                     |
| TOTAL:    |                                                                  | 15 credits            |