Syllabus
for course at advanced level
Language Situation and Language Policy in the Baltic Countries
Språksituation och språkpolitik i de baltiska länderna
7.5 Higher Education Credits

7.5 ECTS credits

Course code: BAL770
Valid from: Autumn 2014
Date of approval: 2014-02-26
Department: Department of Slavic and Baltic Studies Finnish Dutch and German
Main field: Baltiska språk
Specialisation: A1N - Second cycle, has only first-cycle course/s as entry requirements

Decision
The course syllabus has been passed by the Board of the Faculty of Humanities on February 26, 2014.

Prerequisites and special admittance requirements
The degree of Fil.kand. or the equivalent. English B/English 6 or the equivalent.

Course structure

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Course content
The course consists of a review of the language situation and the language policies in the Baltic countries. The course illuminates language use and language policies from a general perspective, against a background of the historical preconditions for multilingualism in the Baltic Sea area. The course investigates the situation and status of the local, national and international languages that are spoken in the Baltic countries.

Learning outcomes
Having completed the course the student has demonstrated an ability to:
- demonstrate profound, theoretical and specific knowledge about the language situation and language policies in the Baltic countries
- demonstrate profound, theoretical and specific knowledge about the historical preconditions for multilingualism in the Baltic Sea area
- formulate a theoretical discussion on language situation, language policies and multilingualism in the Baltic countries.

Education
Instruction is in the form of lectures and seminars. The course is given in English.

Forms of examination
a. The following methods of examination are used: 1) a written essay (10-15 pages) and 2) an oral presentation of the essay in connection with a seminar.
b. Grades are given according to a criterion referenced seven-point scale: A=Excellent, B=Very Good, C=Good, D=Satisfactory, E=Adequate, Fx=Insufficient, F=Fail.

c. The grading criteria for this course are to be distributed at the beginning of the course.

d. A grade of at least E on all examination assignments is required in order to obtain a grade for the whole course.

e. A student who has received an F or Fx has the right to additional examinations, provided the course is still offered, in order to obtain at lowest the grade of E. Each time a course is offered, at least two opportunities to take an exam are given during the relevant term. At least one examination is offered during the term or the year that the course is not given. A student who has received a grade of E or higher may not take the examination again in order to get a higher grade. A student who has received the grade of Fx or F twice on a given examination and by the same examiner can, on application, be granted a new examiner for the upcoming examination, unless there are specific reasons against it. The application should be addressed to the board of the department.

f. On any particular test, a grade of Fx that is close to a grade of E can be changed to a passing grade, provided the student completes additional assignments. The additional assignment is to be handed in within a week after the need for supplementary work has been announced by the examiner. A grade of E will be assigned to approved supplementary work, the need for which was based on misunderstandings such as answering only part of the question or errors such as weak analysis. A grade of C, D or E will be assigned to approved supplementary work, the need for which was based on minor errors such incorrect spelling or grammar.

**Interim**

When the course is no longer offered, the student has the right to be examined according to this course syllabus once per semester for a three-semester wind-up period.

**Limitations**

The course cannot be included in a higher degree together with other approved courses attended domestically or abroad, whose content wholly or partially is congruent with the contents of this course.

**Required reading**

See the course information on the department homepage (www.bafity.su.se) one month before the start of the course at the latest.