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**Expected invested time**

Credits: 7.5 ECTS (= 200 hours of studies)  
Teaching sessions: 7 x 3 lesson units

**Course description**

This is a beginner's level course for international students at KTH with no previous knowledge of Swedish. The course provides basic skills to handle everyday situations.

**Content**

Reading of simple texts, simple writing exercises, listening comprehension and simple dialogues based on everyday vocabulary and phrases. Basic grammar and pronunciation rules of the Swedish language. Facts about Sweden, Swedish culture, society and technical development.

**Learning outcomes**

The expected learning outcomes for the course mainly refer to the level A1 according to CEFR, the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages.

On completion of the course, the student should be able to:

*Listening comprehension*

- understand simple, slowly and clearly spoken Swedish on well-known subjects in everyday situations

*Reading comprehension*

- understand short, authentic, everyday texts consisting of simple sentences and common words

*Spoken interaction*

- participate in simple conversations in slowly and clearly spoken Swedish, by asking and answering simple questions within well-known everyday subject areas (a certain amount of help from the conversation partner is required)

*Spoken production*

- talk about and describe his/her close environment and people he/she knows, by means of simple phrases and sentences

*Written production*

- fill in simple forms and write short, simple messages with elements of awareness of elementary facts about Sweden

### **Eligibility**

Basic eligibility for higher education. Applicants should not have prior knowledge of Swedish.

### **Requirements for final grade**

- all examination parts passed with the grade pass (P)
- compulsory attendance

### **Course books (compulsory)**

Levy Scherrer, P. & Lindemalm, K., *Rivstart: svenska som främmande språk. A1 + A2, Textbok*, 2. uppl., Natur och Kultur, Stockholm 2014

Levy Scherrer, P. & Lindemalm, K., *Rivstart: svenska som främmande språk. A1 + A2, Övningsbok*, 2. uppl., Natur och Kultur, Stockholm 2014

### **Reference books and links**

Viberg, Å., Ballardini, K., & Stjärnlöf, S. *Essentials of Swedish Grammar. A Practical Guide to Mastery of Swedish*. Mac Graw Hill, New York. 1984

or:

Viberg, Å. Ballardini K., & Stjärnlöf, S. *Mål – Svensk grammatik på X* (e.g. Arabic, French, German). Natur och Kultur, Stockholm. 1984, (recommended in its digital version)

*Lexin* – lexicon on the web <http://lexin2.nada.kth.se>

*Norstedts* free online resource (only for English)

<http://www.ord.se> (also available as an app)

Learning Swedish – free online course:

<https://learningswedish.se/courses/1>

Additional materials distributed by the teacher.

### **Examination**

LEXA - Continuous Assessment, 7.5, grade scale: P (= pass), F (= fail)

The course includes a number of mandatory assignments, written and oral, which you will get formative feedback on, and which also function as parts of the continuous examination of the course.

The course uses the final grades Pass (P) or Fail (F), but quizzes and assignment also make use of the grade Fx, indicating that the result is close to a pass.

In order to pass the course, your first submission of any assignment must be graded P or Fx, and you are expected to hand in revised versions of the assignments regardless of your grade, should the teacher ask for this.

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You are allowed one (1) failed (F) first submission of each kind, i.e., one written and one oral. Should two or more first submissions of any or both kinds receive an F, you will not be able to make up for this within the scope of the current course, and you must re-take the whole course. The possibility to re-take a course is subject to vacancies.

**Special needs**

If you are in need of special support or help because of a diagnosis such as dyslexia, Asperger's syndrome or hearing impairment, please inform your teacher as soon as possible.

For help, and information about your rights, please contact one of KTH's coordinators for disabled students Monica Barsch or Cecilia Uppström at e-mail: [funka@kth.se](mailto:funka@kth.se) ,  
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