

Swedish 604

Accelerated Second-Year Swedish

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MWF 1-3
RAS 218

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Welcome to Swedish 612! Swedish 612 is an accelerated course at the second-year level for students who have completed Swedish 604 or the equivalent.

Swedish 604 and 612 fulfill the undergraduate language requirement in one year. The first semester covers the basics of Swedish grammar and vocabulary. In the second, students will read a variety of texts on literary and cultural issues and respond to them in weekly essays in Swedish.

Swedish 612 meets six hours a week. It is an accelerated course, and you should plan on spending at least one hour of preparation outside class for every hour you spend in class.

Required texts:

Nybörjarsvenska – textbook and workbook
Nya mål 3 – textbook and workbook
Prisma's Swedish-English and *English-Swedish Dictionaries*

I will also pass out cultural readings in Swedish about Sweden and photocopies of newspaper articles.

There is an audio component that goes along with *Nybörjarsvenska* available at www.laits.utexas.edu/itsaud. Scroll down to *Nybörjarsvenska* near the bottom of the page. If you are off-campus, you may need to enter the password: Lindholm

Prerequisites: Swedish 604 with a grade of C or higher or the equivalent

Grading

- A. Weekly compositions 30%;** Compositions are 150 to 200 words and should be typed and double spaced in a font of at least 14 points. Topics vary and are related to class discussions and material covered in class. Turn in a hard copy of your composition on Mondays in class. In certain cases, I will grant you an extension if you make arrangements with me in advance. Otherwise, late compositions may not be accepted.
- B. Weekly quizzes 30%:** Quizzes are on Wednesdays, unless otherwise announced. There are no make-up quizzes, but you may drop your lowest grade.
- C. Class participation and homework 30%**
- D. Hour examination during the last week of class 10%**

There is no final exam during the final exam period in SWE 612 due to the cumulative nature of all of the tests you take.

Attendance

Class participation, quizzes and homework are designed to help you practice and build new skills in Swedish steadily and regularly. As such, daily preparation, attendance and active participation in class are essential. The quality of your participation is measured in several ways: through homework, quizzes and class participation, for example. If you are absent, not only will you miss important information but will also earn zeros on any assignments you miss.

If you have to miss class, please let me know as soon as possible. You must arrange with a peer to pick up handouts from class and find out what was covered in the day's lesson. In order to ensure a high quality learning environment, **if you miss more than 4 class periods, your grade will drop a full step, i.e. from B to C, and a further step for every 2 absences after the first 4.** In certain cases, such as a serious illness, hospitalization, or a death in the family, you may receive an exemption for an absence, but you must provide documentation. Documentation from a doctor's office must be on official stationery and state both the time of your appointment and the nature and duration of your illness. Exemptions are negotiated on an individual basis.

Attendance at Scandinavian talks and films at UT: Attendance at a talk on a Scandinavian subject or a Scandinavian film sponsored by the Department of Germanic Studies can compensate for one of your absences. If you attend a film in the

Scandinavian Film Series, please bring me an account of 150-200 words in which you discuss the film with particular reference to the scene in it you find most important. If you wish to attend an event that has not been announced in class or posted on Blackboard, please see me in advance to check whether it will compensate for an absence. You may make up **up to 3 absences** in this way.

Special needs

The University of Texas at Austin provides upon request appropriate academic accommodations for students with disabilities. To determine whether you qualify, please contact the Dean of Students at 471-6259; 471-4641 TTY. If they certify your needs, the Department of Germanic Studies will work with you to make appropriate arrangements. We have worked with the Dean of Students Office extensively, and have successfully accommodated students with various special needs. Please do not hesitate to talk to your instructor to get the necessary assistance. In order to make such arrangements, you must file your paperwork by the third week of the semester.

Policy on scholastic integrity

Students who do not comply with University rules on scholastic integrity are subject to disciplinary penalties, including the possibility of failure in the course and/or dismissal from the University. Since dishonesty harms the individual, all students and the integrity of the University, policies on scholastic dishonesty will be strictly enforced. For further information, visit the Student Judicial Services web site at www.utexas.edu/depts/dos/sjs. This site offers excellent resources on how to cite sources and paraphrase. The Undergraduate Library also has workshops and brochures that can help you develop skills on writing research papers. Copying materials from other people and sources or using on-line translators, for example, constitutes fraudulent submission. You must turn in your own work for all assignments in this course.

Scholastic Integrity in Swedish 612

Your work should be your own. This concerns not only your answers on quizzes and examination, but also your weekly compositions. You may not have another student, tutor, or native speaker edit your compositions before you turn them in.

Upper division Scandinavian, majoring / minoring, special programs

If you would like information about majoring or minoring in Scandinavian, please see Dr. Sandy Straubhaar, Undergraduate Adviser for Scandinavian (sstraub@mail.utexas.edu).

If you have any questions about study abroad opportunities - summer language study in Uppsala, Stockholm, or Lund, or a semester or year abroad at the Universities of Uppsala or Lund (both of which have exchange programs with UT), please see me.

See also these websites:

An official website with information about Sweden: www.sweden.se

Uppsala International Summer Program: www.uiss.org

The website for university extension courses in Sweden: www.folkuniversitetet.se

The website for university extension courses in Stockholm: www.kurser.se/Folkuniversitetet_Stockholm_b11097.html

Uppsala University: www.uu.se

Lund University: www.lu.se

The website for *8-sidor*, an online newspaper in easy Swedish: <http://8sidor.lattlast.se>

The website for *Dagens Nyheter*, one of the two *morgontidningar* in Stockholm: www.dn.se

The website for *Svenska Dagbladet*, the other *morgontidning* in Stockholm: www.svd.se

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Syllabus – Spring 2010

Ns = *Nybörjarsvenska*

NM3 = *Nya mål 3*

Svenska 612: Våren 2010			
		måndag 15 mars	<i>Spring break</i>
onsdag 20 januari	Ns 34	onsdag 17 mars	<i>Spring break</i>
fredag 22 januari	Ns 35-36	fredag 19 mars	<i>Spring break</i>
måndag 25 januari	Ns 36-37; uppsats 1	måndag 22 mars	Ns 64; uppsats 8
onsdag 27 januari	Ns 38-39	onsdag 24 mars	Ns 65; quiz 7
fredag 29 januari	Ns 40-41; quiz 1	fredag 26 mars	Ns 66
måndag 1 februari	Ns 42; uppsats 2	måndag 29 mars	Ns 67-68; uppsats 9
tisdag 3 februari	Ns 43, 44	onsdag 31 mars	Ns 68-69; quiz 8
onsdag 5 februari	Ns 45; quiz 2	fredag 2 april	Ns 69-70
måndag 8 februari	Ns 46, 47; uppsats 3	måndag 5 april	Ns 70-71; uppsats 10
onsdag 10 februari	Ns 48	onsdag 7 april	Ns 72; quiz 9
fredag 12 februari	Ns 49	fredag 9 april	Ns 73
måndag 15 februari	Ns 50, 51; uppsats 4	måndag 12 april	NM3, 1; uppsats 11
tisdag 17 februari	Ns 52; quiz 3	onsdag 14 april	NM3, 1; quiz 10
fredag 19 februari	Ns 53	fredag 16 april	NM3, 1
måndag 22 februari	Ns 54, 55; uppsats 5	måndag 19 april	NM3, 3; uppsats 12
onsdag 24 februari	Ns 55, 56; quiz 4	onsdag 21 april	NM3, 3; quiz 11
fredag 26 februari	Ns 56, 57	fredag 23 april	NM3, 3
måndag 1 mars	Ns 58; uppsats 6	måndag 26 april	NM3, 4; uppsats 13
onsdag 3 mars	Ns 59; quiz 5	onsdag 28 april	NM3, 4; quiz 12
fredag 5 mars	Ns 60	fredag 30 april	film
måndag 8 mars	Ns 61-62; uppsats 7	måndag 3 maj	NM3, 4; uppsats 14
onsdag 10 mars	Ns 63; quiz 6	onsdag 5 maj	Hour examination
fredag 12 mars	film	fredag 7 maj	