

Bachelor's Programme in English Studies

LUND UNIVERSITY | CENTRE FOR LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

There is a great demand for people with a strong knowledge of English. The use of English is growing in Sweden and internationally. English is important for working life, and it has a powerful presence in media and in public spaces. The bachelor's program in English Studies at Lund University prepares you to meet these economic and social demands with robust English competence.

WHAT DOES THE PROGRAM INCLUDE?

The program consists of six terms (three years) of study. It comprises 180 credits and leads to the Bachelor of Arts in English Studies. You study English for at least four out of six terms. First, you study three terms of English in Lund. Then, you may study one to two terms in an English-speaking country or study another subject for the same period in Lund. The program concludes with a thesis in English with a specialization in literature or linguistics. You may also choose to specialize in both English literature and linguistics.

In the Lund bachelor's program in English, you will study with instructors who are also active researchers. Accordingly, the program has a strong research foundation.

These courses are required:

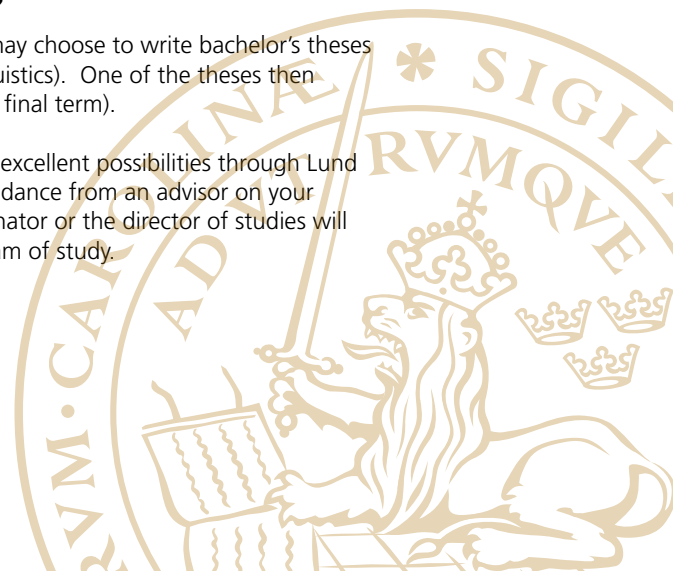
- English Grammar, Vocabulary, Phonology, and Pronunciation
- English Literature
- Introduction to History and Culture
- Academic Writing in English
- Linguistic Analysis
- Literary Analysis
- English in Multicultural Society
- English Film and Image
- Elective courses inspired by the research specializations of instructors
- Research Methods in Linguistics and/or Literature
- Linguistic and/or Literary Theory
- Bachelor's Thesis

Language proficiency and accuracy are addressed in all courses, with particular emphasis on both in early portions of the program.

WHAT CAN YOU CHOOSE TO STUDY IN THE PROGRAM?

Beginning with term four, you make personal choices. You may choose to write bachelor's theses in both of the subject's streams (i.e., English literature or linguistics). One of the theses then becomes your degree project and you write it in term six (the final term).

If you seek to study in an English-speaking country, there are excellent possibilities through Lund University's many exchange partnerships. You will receive guidance from an advisor on your application if you wish to study abroad. The program coordinator or the director of studies will help you select courses that you can transfer into your program of study.



If you do not study abroad, you instead take another subject for one to two terms. The other subject can be another language or a subject such as history, film studies, philosophy, law, economics, comparative literature, political science or media and communication studies. Lund University has diverse subject offerings, many other languages among them.

Your study counselor can offer advice about your personal choices. You may also discuss your choices with the program coordinator who is also one of your instructors.

WHAT SKILLS WILL YOU LEARN BY DOING THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN ENGLISH STUDIES?

After completing your degree, you will be able to do the following and more:

- Communicate in written and spoken English with great accuracy
- Seek out and understand information about the English language and English literature from sources of different types such as dictionaries, grammar books, non-fiction texts, and digital resources
- Analyze the English language and English literature from a research-based perspective
- Discuss your analyses with respect to previous research and theory in order to draw conclusions
- Collaborate with colleagues and review their texts and presentations as well as assimilate feedback from colleagues about your own work
- Work independently and solve problems to meet deadlines with self-discipline

WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH A DEGREE IN ENGLISH STUDIES?

Some students enter directly into the workforce with positions such as information officers, administrators, public relations specialists or writers, and content developers in the gaming industry, among other possibilities. Knowledge of English is needed in most professions. As such, excellent knowledge of English will give you advantages on the job market.

Many who earn the bachelor's degree in English go on to further studies that lead to professional qualifications as a teacher, translator or librarian. Such programs are available at Lund University as well as other higher education institutions.

There are also additional study opportunities (master's programs) in linguistics and literature. They offer further scholarly depth into the areas of linguistics and literature, respectively, and they lead to qualification for doctoral study in these areas. Such programs are also available at Lund University as well as certain other higher education institutions. You can learn more about the research career path from your study counselor, instructors, director of studies, and the subject's research coordinators.

During the program of study, there will be sessions with alumni, that is to say previous students who have entered the workforce. Lund University also has a career counselor who organizes sessions for students who would like to work on their CVs and prepare for the job search. As a student at Lund University, you become part of a rich network of friends and professionals who are valuable contacts for your career.

WE WELCOME YOUR APPLICATION TO THE BACHELOR'S PROGRAM IN ENGLISH AT LUND UNIVERSITY!



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