



## Welcome to the University of Gävle and the Faculty of Education and Business

COURSE English 31-60 Credits 50% Distance

IDENTIFIER **ENG306**

APPLICATION CODE **22500**

COURSE PERIOD Week 4 in 2016 to week 3 in 2017

SYLLABUS <http://hig.se/Ext/Sv/Utbildning/Hitta-utbildning/Kurser/Kursplaner.html>

SCHEDULE <https://webkonto.student.hig.se>

PERIOD FOR SELF REGISTRATION THROUGH THE STUDENT PORTAL **Week 3**

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**In order to confirm your place on this course, you must self register on the student portal in week 3. When you self register on the student portal you should then enroll yourself on the Blackboard course during week 3 in order to confirm your place. Please also follow the instructions in the welcome letter below.**

If you are registered and choose to discontinue your studies you have to report it in the Student Portal within three weeks from the course start. If you choose to discontinue your studies later than three weeks into the course you need to contact your faculty secretary.

### GET STARTED WITH YOUR STUDIES!

More information at [www.hig.se/newstudent](http://www.hig.se/newstudent)

#### **1** COMPUTER ACCOUNT

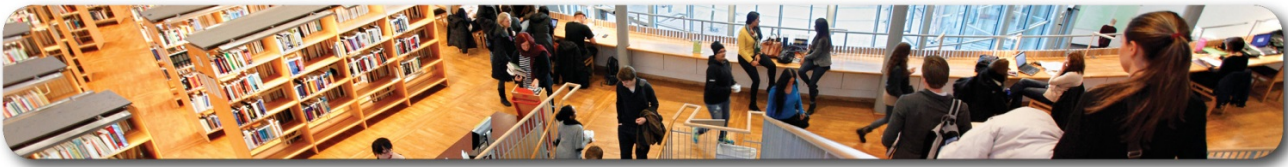
You can collect your computer account at [webkonto.student.hig.se](https://webkonto.student.hig.se) at the beginning of week 3. Your computer account gives you access to the University web services.

#### **2** THE STUDENT PORTAL

In week 3, please register for your course through the Student Portal at [studentportal.hig.se](http://studentportal.hig.se)

#### **3** BLACKBOARD

The Blackboard platform is a web-based learning management system where you can find course material. Log in via the Student Portal, find your course and enroll in week 3. Course ID in Bb VT16\_22500 För frågor om kursen i Blackboard kontakta Kavita Thomas  
Period for enrolling: week 3.



## **English 31-60 Credits 50% Distance Spring 2016 & Fall 2016**

Welcome to the English distance 50% 'B' course!

To register for this course, please follow the instructions above to obtain your student computer account and then register on the Student Portal (you will find a link on the first page of this letter). Once you have done this, you should enroll for the course on our electronic learning platform, Blackboard (instructions above). **In order to confirm your place on the course, you must do this in week 3.**

It is important that you attend the (online) first course meetings in week 4. All course meetings will be online. You will find more specific information with the dates, times and the websites of our online class meetings on Blackboard. That's why it's important that you register for a student account (if you don't already have one) and enroll for the course on Blackboard ahead of time. Instructions on how to do this are on the first page of this letter. If you run into difficulties enrolling or applying for a student account, please contact the Student Center and they should be able to help you. Once you have enrolled, you will find information about how to use our online classroom technology on Blackboard. You should run through these guides and make sure that your computer has a working microphone and speakers and adequate internet speed in order to participate in our online class meetings. If you have questions about our online classroom technology, please contact the Student Center ([studentcentrum@hig.se](mailto:studentcentrum@hig.se) or 026 648500 and ask for the Student Center). If you are uncertain about anything else to do with the course, please contact me at [Kavita.Thomas@hig.se](mailto:Kavita.Thomas@hig.se).

During the first half of Spring Term (weeks 4-11), you will take a survey module in English linguistics (7.5 credits) taught by me, and during the second half of Spring Term (weeks 14-23) you will take a module in American literature (7.5 credits) taught by Iulian Cananau. In the Fall you will take Topics in Linguistics (4 credits, taught by me), World Englishes (3.5 credits, taught by Marko Modiano), and British Literature (7.5 credits, taught by Marko Modiano). Here is a list of the modules you will take, including when they run:

Survey in English Linguistics (7.5 credits), taught by me, weeks 4-11 VT16

Survey in American Literature (7.5 credits), taught by Iulian Cananau ([Iulian.Cananau@hig.se](mailto:Iulian.Cananau@hig.se)),  
weeks 14-23 VT16

Topics in Linguistics (4 credits), taught by me, HT16

World Englishes (3.5 credits), taught by Marko Modiano ([Marko.Modiano@hig.se](mailto:Marko.Modiano@hig.se)), HT16

Survey in British Literature (7.5 credits), taught by Marko Modiano, HT16

The goal of these modules is to give you a solid foundation in the study of English linguistics and literature which will prepare you for C-level (61-90 credits) English studies. **You should order the textbooks for the course (and particularly for the Linguistics Survey module) well before the start of term.** Remember that some of these books may take a few weeks to get to you and you need them by the start of week 4! Here are the books you need to order for the Spring modules:

Survey in English Linguistics:

Barber, Charles. 2009. *The English Language: A Historical Introduction* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition\*).

Yule, George. 2010. *The study of language* (4<sup>th</sup> edition\*).

\*Older editions of these books are also fine.

American Literature: if a year/edition isn't mentioned, then any edition is fine. Many of these texts are also available online.

*An Introduction to Literature, Criticism and Theory*, Fourth Edition, by Andrew Bennett and Nicholas

Ralph Waldo Emerson. "Self-Reliance" (essay)

Walt Whitman. "Song of Myself" (poem - 1881 version)

Nathaniel Hawthorne. *The Scarlet Letter* (novel)

Edgar Allan Poe. "The Purloined Letter" (short story)

Herman Melville. "Bartleby the Scrivener" (short story)

Mark Twain. *Pudd'nhead Wilson* (novel)

Charlotte Perkins Gilman. "The Yellow Wallpaper" (short story)

Emily Dickinson. "A Bird came down the Walk--", "Because I could not stop for Death--", "My Life had stood--a Loaded Gun--" (poems)

Ezra Pound. "Salutation the Second", "A Pact", "In a Station of the Metro" (poems)

William Carlos Williams. "Spring and All", "The Red Wheelbarrow" (poems)

Robert Frost. "Design", "The Road Not Taken" (poems)

Francis Scott Fitzgerald. *The Great Gatsby* (novel)

Kurt Vonnegut. *Slaughterhouse-Five* (novel)

Raymond Carver. "Cathedral" (short-story)

**If you are having a hard time finding the textbooks from booksellers in Sweden, they are available from Amazon UK and you should expect them to take around 2-3 weeks to arrive, so order your textbooks in good time!**

You will find more information about the individual taught modules on Blackboard, including meeting dates and locations, assignments, reading and grading, so do enroll for the course as soon as you can.

In order to book online course meetings (usually two hours long) which suit the majority of you, we would like you to indicate your availability on the following online scheduler:

<http://doodle.com/poll/hzv4x6yqfaafqtzs>

**On this scheduler, you should indicate ALL slots during working hours (Monday to Friday, 09:00-18:00) during which you can usually attend online meetings during Spring Term. Please indicate your availability on this scheduler no later than Friday in week 2.**

We look forward to meeting you online in week 4!

Best wishes,

Kavita Thomas, course coordinator and lecturer in English linguistics

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**Registration for exam**

Registration for ordinary exams as well as re-examinations via Kronox is mandatory. You can register for exams five weeks before the exam date at the earliest and no later than ten days before the exam date. Please note that no post-registrations will be accepted. If you for some reason are unable to write the exam at campus, you can apply to write the exam at another location. The application must be submitted no later than three weeks prior to the exam date. You will receive more information about exams from the teachers of the modules at the start of the course.