



SWEDISH LANGUAGE FOUNDATIONS

**SWED
100**

First-semester Swedish Elementary Swedish I

Cultural topics include: Nature conservation and environmental protection (Allemansrätten), Greta Thunberg, social etiquettes, fika and lördagsgodis, letters å, ä, ö, and dialects.

Book: Rivstart, Chapters 1-4

**SWED
110**

Second-Semester Swedish Elementary Swedish II

Cultural topics include: The Nobel Prize, Sweden Day, snus (Google it!), Påskkärringar and witches, and how fun the names of your relatives are in Swedish: mormor, morfar, farmor, farfar.

Book: Rivstart, Chapters 5-8

Third-semester Swedish Intermediate Swedish I

Cultural topics include: The Indigenous Sámi population and Swedish colonization, Gender roles and equality measures, Swedish "strange" habits and food. (Surströmming, anyone?)

Book: Rivstart, Chapters 9-13

**SWED
200**

Fourth-Semester Swedish Intermediate Swedish II

Cultural topics include: Sauna culture, the Swedes' dream of a summer cottage (sommarstuga), the Swedish Education System, and how to prepare for a visit to Sweden and all the fun, weird traditions.

Book: Rivstart, Chapters 14-16

**SWED
210**

- No traditional, high-stakes tests or exams, only short quizzes
- Focus on spoken language and conversation through dialogue practices, in-class exercises and sing-along Fridays
- Cultural projects where you get to explore and share what you find interesting about Swedish culture and language, plus a whole module devoted to a Swedish film
- Short written and oral assignments to help you see how far you've come

**How are you
marked (graded)?
What course
materials do we
use?**

**Learning
language is
about joy,
meaning &
community.**

Learn Swedish in a fun, low-stress environment, where you get to develop your language skills in a friendly and inclusive classroom!

You'll also become part of the Nordic community here at UBC thanks to our weekly fika (coffee & buns) with other students taking courses in the Nordic program and members of the UBC Scandinavian and Nordic Student Association.