Swedish for Immigrants (SFI)

Sfi is an introductory course in the Swedish language and Swedish society. The programme is designed for non-native speakers who are registered as nationals. Sfi is free of charge.
Courses and study levels

Sfi consists of three different levels: Sfi 1, Sfi 2 and Sfi 3, aiming at students’ different backgrounds, prerequisites and goals. Sfi 1 includes courses A and B, Sfi 2 courses B and C and Sfi 3 courses C and D. The courses have two paces: normal and intensive.

The introduction lasts for five weeks. A diagnosis is offered for those with previous knowledge of Swedish to determine the adequate level. The introduction is not mandatory for students without previous education who will immediately be placed in Sfi 1.

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In each course you will:
- learn to communicate in Swedish
- get an individual study plan
- get advice for study and work possibilities
- learn about Swedish society and the immediate surroundings
- compare Swedish culture with other cultures

Introduction

Once you have enrolled in Sfi you are usually placed into an introductory course, where you will begin to learn Swedish. You will also receive a 2-hour tutorial about how to use the school’s computers.

Individual study plan

Within the introductory period you will get an individual study plan from an adviser. If necessary, an interpreter will be present. During your studies you will have further contact with an adviser to plan your studies. The school welfare officer is also available.

Timetable

New students are accepted every five weeks and courses continue year round. There are no classes in July and on national Holidays. Sfi is a half-time course with classes either in the morning or in the afternoon. Thus you have the opportunity to work or study Additional courses. There is also an evening course, “Sfi Online Learning”. Which is four hours a week for those who are unable to attend during the day.

You have the right to continue your studies for as long as you wish, provided you are making progress as an active student.

Open Learning Center (Lärcentrum)

There is a special Sfi Learning Centre with a drop-in Concept where you will find computers, books, work-Sheets and other equipment to facilitate your studies. The Learning Centre is complementary to Sfi and offers help with homework.