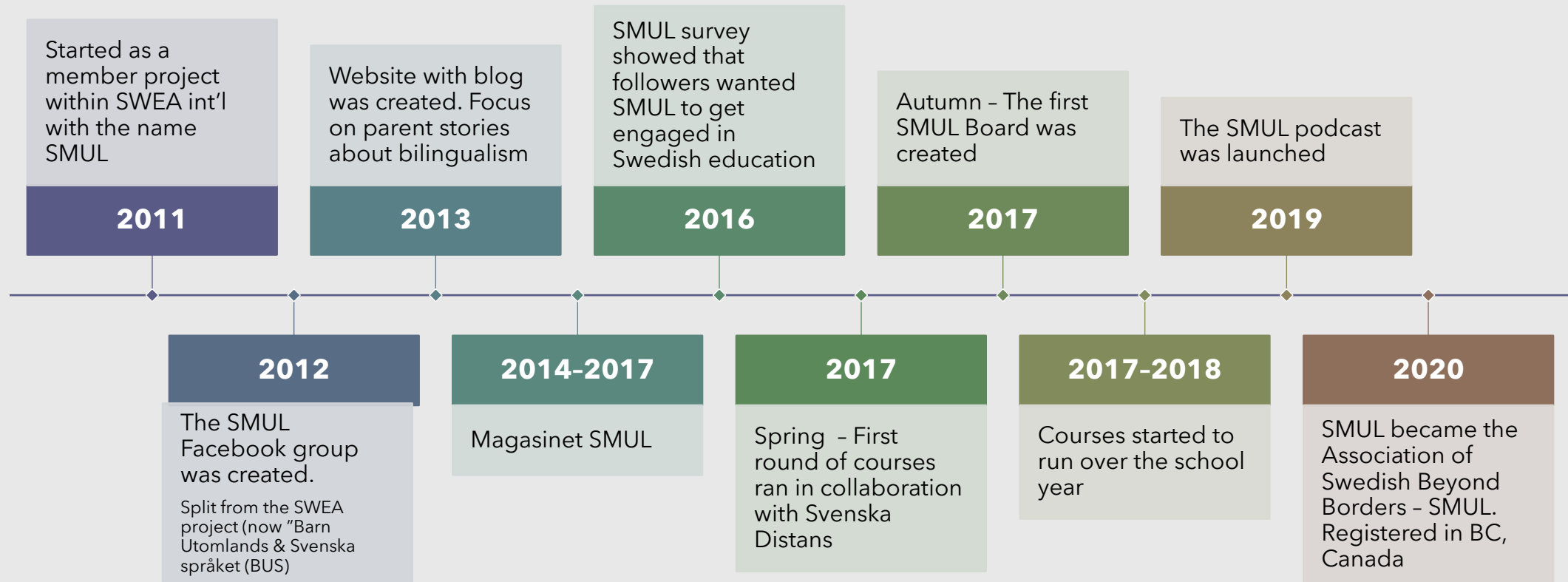


BEGINNER SWEDISH

THE SMUL ACADEMY

Lena Normen-Younger

The story behind SMUL



Who we are

SMUL Board

- Chair: Lena Normén-Younger
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- Monica Bravo Granström
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- Viktoria Akselsen-Fischer
- Anna Hartley
- Linda Strom



Complimenting vs. Beginner Swedish

- Traditional Swedish Schools teaches complimentary Swedish
- Original course plan also for SMUL
- Requirement of speaking Swedish at home
- No frame work for children without previous knowledge
- Separate track for Beginner Swedish was started in the summer of 2020.

Beginner Swedish Classes School year of 2022-2023

Lower elementary (7-9 years)

- Step 1 (brand new beginners)
- Step 2

Later Elementary (10-13 years)

- Step 1 (brand new beginners)
- Step 2 (beginners who started in 2021-2022)
- Step 3 beginners who started in 2020-2021)

High school (14-18 years)

- Step 1 (brand new beginners)
- Step 2 (beginners who started in 2021-2022)
- Step 3 beginners who started in 2020-2021)

Changes from last year

2021-2022

- School year course plan
- Groups of 5-8 students
- Schedule for North/South America & Europe
- Parent communication in Swedish & English
- Some volunteering required
- PDF certificate at graduation (40 points)

2022-2023

- Printed books for all elementary students
- Parent newsletter in English may be skipped
- Classes for France with French as a support language with Eva Cimino as the teacher

Beginner Swedish, 7-9 years



Step 1 for new beginners

- In house material made by Maria and Ella Cowe Canadian illustrator
- Språkis A



Step 2 for returning beginners

- Jag läser B, reading and work book
- Material made by Maria



Pratstart



Beginner Swedish, 10-13 years

Step 1 & 2

- Fördel SVA, textbook
- Fördel SVA, exercise book

Step 3

- Fördel - Läs och förstå
- Språkis D



Pratstart

Beginner Swedish, 14-18 years

Step 1 & 2

- Digital version of På Spåret 2B
- Material developed by teachers



Step 3

- Digital version of På Spåret 2C
- Material developed by teachers

Pratstart

Pratstart by LanguageNut

Content for the first four years of language study

1440 words and phrases

24 units of 6 sections each

240 **sentence building** drills

14 games covering all language skills including speaking

Verb conjugation activities

Adapt content to what students need - no need to follow a linear path through content

31 support languages with audio and visual cues

Classes for Europe, Africa and the Middle East

ELEMENTARY 7-9 y

Step 1 classes, for new students

- Grades 1-3, Step 1, class IA (for Europe, **in English**): Mondays, 5:30PM (17.30) Stockholm
- Grades 1-3, Step 1, class IC (for Europe, **in French**): Wednesdays 3:00PM (15.00) Paris

Step 2 classes, for returning students

- Grades 1-3, Step 2, NYB-LÅG IIA (Europe, **in English**): Mondays, 6:30PM (18.30) Stockholm

ELEMENTARY, 10-13 y

Step 1 classes, for new students

- Grades 4-7, Step 1, class NYB-MELL IA (for Europe, **in English**): Thursdays, 6:00 PM London / 7:00PM (19.00) Stockholm
- Grades 4-7, Step 1, class NYB-MELL IC (for Europe, **in French**): Wednesdays, 4:00PM (16.00) Paris

Step 2 classes, for returning students

- Grades 4-7, Step 2: NYB-MELL IIA (for Europe, In English, **in English**): Mondays, 5:30PM London / 6:30PM (18.30) Stockholm

Step 3 classes, for returning students

Grades 4-7, Step 3, NYB-MELL IIIB (for Europe, North/South America, **in English**): Sunday, 7:30AM PT / 9:30PM Dallas / 10.30PM ET / 3:30PM London / 4:30PM (16.30) Stockholm

Classes for Europe, Africa and the Middle East

HIGH SCHOOL, 14-18 y

Step 1 classes, for new students

- Grades 8-12, Step 1, NYB-HÖG IA (for Europe, **in English**): Thursdays, 7PM London / 8PM (20.00) Stockholm
- Grades 8-12, Step 1, NYB-HÖG IC (for Europe, **in French**): Wednesday 5PM (17.00) Paris

Step 2 classes, for returning students

- Grades 8-12, Step 2: NYB-HÖG IIA (for Europe): Mondays, 4:40PM London / 5:30PM (17.30) Stockholm

Step 3 classes, for returning students

Grades 8-12, Step 1, NYB-HÖG IIIA (for North/South America, **in English**): Wednesdays, 6:00PM PT / 7:00PM Dallas / 9:00PM ET

Advice about using Swedish at home

- Approach Swedish in a playful way
- Set realistic goals
- Discuss why you want your child to learn Swedish. Listen to their feelings about learning Swedish
- Avoid negative terms such as laziness when the child is struggling with motivation
- Praise effort and be careful to correct pronunciation
- Set goals together and celebrate success (phone call to grandmom in Swedish, a text to cousins in Swedish)
- Increase the use of Swedish at home:
 - Repeat in Swedish after you say something in English
 - When your child has increased the vocabulary, say something in Swedish before you repeat in English
 - Use post-its on items around the house
 - Situational Swedish - Fika, movie time, daily session in Pratstart

Sign up here

- [Association of Swedish Beyond Borders - SMUL - Med svenska som livsstil \(svenskautomlands.org\)](https://svenskautomlands.org)

www.svenskautomlands.org

You can also email us at info@svenskautomlands.org or book a free individual study advice session with our administrator Louise Sverud

QUESTIONS?



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