MAMMAFORUM
A TEACHING AND LEARNING PROJECT

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The Mammaforum project

• A collaborative project between Mammaforum (an NGO), student-teachers and the teaching staff at the Department of Swedish as a Second Language at the University of Gothenburg since 2014.

Aims:

• to enhance the Swedish language skills of newly arrived mothers not entitled to go to Swedish for migrants (SFI)
• to provide an arena for student-teachers at the University of Gothenburg to practice their skills as prospective language teachers

• Inspiration: law and medicine clinics
Students as a resource to society, and society as a resource to students

Teacher-students

Newly arrived mothers

University of Gothenburg

Mammaforum - an NGO
The Mothers

• come from all over the world having many different L1’s

• have strong desires to learn Swedish, but have very few opportunities

• with limited network of contacts,

• diverse experiences and plans for the future
Students as a resource to society, and society as a resource to students

- SFI – basic Swedish language education for adults
- Requires a residence permit
- Requires high level of classroom attendance
• classes take place twice a week, Tuesday and Thursday between 10.30 - 12.00

• voluntary attendance

• the students plan, carry out and evaluate their lessons in pair

• the students are supervised by the teaching staff at the Department of Swedish as a Second Language
Benefits to the student-teachers

• Learning from each other – Co-teaching improves collaborative skills

• New challenge – to teach adults

• The practice of being in charge – different from workplace training

• Develop the project in dialogue with participants, the NGO and the University

• Co-creators of their own education
Mammaforum – the teaching model
Current status of the project

• The training at Mammaforum continues

• More NGOs are interested in giving support to develop similar training programs

• Today 6 student-teachers are participating in the project, and 3 students who previously were part of the project have graduated to become teachers in Swedish as a second language in SFI

• University Course: Teaching Swedish as a second language outside the educational system – an internship (15 credits)
Tack!

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