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In this talk I will attempt a sociohistorical contextualization of English in Sweden, so as to account for the traction it has gained in Swedish academia in recent years. Focusing on the big sociolinguistic picture, this approach entails a discussion on the rise of internationalism as a salient societal value as the backdrop for grasping the position held by English in Swedish academia, more generally. Apart from outlining the state of affairs concerning English medium instruction, English-language publishing and workplace discourse, I dwell on the critical language ideological debates this situation has sparked in Sweden. The talk will be based on a decade of research within the area, published in journals such as *Language & Communication*, *Journal of Sociolinguistics* and *Language in Society*, as well as in books with Palgrave, SAGE and John Benjamins. List of publications (with full text links) can be found here:

<https://www.su.se/english/profiles/lisal-1.188673?open-collapse-boxes=body-research>

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