Working with Literature in Nordic Secondary Education

The Nordic countries share educational commonalities across national borders. Within L1 in general, and literature education in particular, the Nordic countries have influenced each other. Due to neighbouring languages and similarities in educational school systems and policies, L1 researchers have developed a sense of community and a close dialogue. Nevertheless, Nordic research on literature education displays a wide range of theoretical and methodological approaches. Moreover, it illustrates different understandings of the concept of literature, its purposes and values in L1 education, both on national and cross-national levels. In this special issue, our aim is to make Nordic research on L1 literature education – with its common features and diversity – visible and accessible for an international research community.

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