

Scandinavian Languages and Literatures

Overview

The Department of Scandinavian offers undergraduate and graduate instruction in the languages, cultures, and literatures of northern Europe. Offered languages include Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, Swedish, and Old Norse-Icelandic. Lower division Reading and Composition courses based on Scandinavian materials are also offered. Lower and upper division lecture courses, all based on readings in English and open to those without a knowledge of Nordic languages, cover a wide variety of topics. The undergraduate major involves a program integrating the study of Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, or Swedish language with important aspects of Scandinavian culture and literature, and an undergraduate minor is also available. The graduate program leads to the PhD. The Department also administers the Program in Celtic Studies.

Collections

Doe Library, the main research library on campus, has extensive holdings in the several areas of research that make up the field of Scandinavian Studies (literature, linguistics, history, folklore, film history, the social sciences, etc.). Visit the Doe Library website for more information about the Berkeley Scandinavian Collection (http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Collections/scandinavian_studies.html).

A smaller departmental collection, the Olof Lundberg Memorial Library, is located in 6337B Dwinelle Hall, adjacent to the current faculty offices. It is open to the public at certain times during the day that are determined at the beginning of each semester, but it is not a lending library; books must be used on site. The Lundberg library houses an extensive collection of over 13,000 volumes, ranging from medieval to modern history and literature. There is no online list of holdings, but there is a card catalog in the library itself. The Department also receives a daily or weekly newspaper from all three of the mainland Scandinavian countries. The librarian can be reached at (510) 643-2932, and the library schedule is posted on the library door (varies by semester).

The Barbro Osher Film and Video Collection is a research collection of over 250 Scandinavian film titles. The 35mm and 16mm films in the collection are housed at the Pacific Film Archive (<http://www.bampfa.berkeley.edu>) (PFA). The films can be searched by title using OskiCat (<http://oskicat.berkeley.edu>), the online library catalog. The remaining titles of the Osher Collection come in a variety of formats (DVD, laser disc, VHS and PAL video, 3/4" video) and are stored in the Lundberg Library. These may only be used on-site.

Undergraduate Programs

Celtic Studies (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2014-15/undergraduate/degree-programs/celtic-studies>) : BA

Scandinavian (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2014-15/undergraduate/degree-programs/scandinavian>) : BA (with concentrations in Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, and Swedish)

Celtic Studies (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2014-15/undergraduate/degree-programs/celtic-studies>) : Minor

Scandinavian (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2014-15/undergraduate/degree-programs/scandinavian>) : Minor

Graduate Program

Scandinavian Languages and Literatures (<http://guide.berkeley.edu/archive/2014-15/graduate/degree-programs/scandinavian>) : PhD

Literature and Culture:

- Scandinavian (p.)

Languages:

- Danish (p.)
- Finnish (p.)
- Icelandic (p.)
- Old Norse (p.)
- Norwegian (p.)
- Swedish (p.)

Scandinavian

SCANDIN 201A Old Norse 4 Units

An introduction to the language of medieval Iceland and Norway. Grammar, historical phonology, and texts.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Lindow

SCANDIN 201B Norse Literature 4 Units

Literary production of early Iceland and Norway. Reading of representative texts in the original.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 201A or equivalent

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Lindow

SCANDIN 206 Studies in Philology and Linguistics 4 Units
Variable subject matter; see departmental announcement for description.
Sample topics: runology; history of the Scandinavian languages;
dialectology.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Lindow

SCANDIN 215 Literary and Cultural Theory 4 Units
Introduction to varieties of literary and cultural theory used in the analysis of literary texts and other cultural artefacts.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 220 Early Scandinavian Literature 4 Units
Variable subject matter; see departmental announcement for description.
Course normally focuses on one of two areas: Eddic and skaldic poetry;
or sagas (royal family, legendary, courtly, episcopal).

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 201A or equivalent

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Lindow

SCANDIN 235 Studies in Romanticism and Realism 4 Units
Variable subject matter; see departmental announcement for description.
Reading and analysis of representative works.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 240 Modern and Contemporary Scandinavian Literature 4 Units

Reading and analysis of representative works. Topics vary from semester to semester; see departmental announcement for description.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 249 Graduate Studies 1 Unit

Additional work in connection with one of the following courses:
Scandinavian C107, C108, 115, 116, 117, 120, 123, 125, C160, 165.
Students attend lectures and do all written work in the "main course," and also read assignments in the Scandinavian languages, and write a paper.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing in Scandinavian

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 250 Seminar in Scandinavian Literature 4 Units
Investigation of selected authors, topics, or problems. Variable subject matter; see departmental announcement for description.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 298 Special Study 2 - 12 Units
Designed to explore a restricted field involving the writing of a report. May not be substituted for available seminars.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2-12 hours of tutorial per week

Summer: 10 weeks - 3-18 hours of tutorial per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

SCANDIN 299 Dissertation Writing 2 - 12 Units

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Summer:

3 weeks - 10-60 hours of independent study per week

6 weeks - 5-30 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 3.5-99 hours of independent study per week

10 weeks - 3-18 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

SCANDIN 300A Methods of Teaching Scandinavian Languages 3 Units
The course consists of a two-hour session per week that will examine current theory and practice of foreign language teaching in connection with Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, and Swedish.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

SCANDIN 300B Teaching Practicum 1 Unit
Graduate Student Instructors must enroll in 300B each semester following the completion of 300A or the equivalent. The course consists of a one-hour weekly session devoted to the analysis and a discussion of pedagogical problems as they arise in the classroom.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate Student Instructor in the Scandinavian department

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of session per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

SCANDIN 301 Scandinavian Teaching Methods 3 Units

Course on practical teaching methods, grading, testing, classroom activities, and design of course materials and syllabi. Required of all Scandinavian Department GSIs.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course is repeatable for credit each semester of employment as a graduate student instructor (GSI). Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of independent study per week

Summer:

3 weeks - 10-60 hours of independent study per week

6 weeks - 5-30 hours of independent study per week

8 weeks - 3.5-99 hours of independent study per week

10 weeks - 3-18 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

SCANDIN 601 Individual Study for M.A. Candidates 1 - 8 Units

Individual study for the comprehensive or language requirements in consultation with the field adviser. Units may not be used to meet unit or residence requirements for the master's degree.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate examination preparation

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

SCANDIN 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Candidates 1 - 8 Units

Individual study in consultation with the major field adviser to prepare qualified students for various examinations required of candidates for the Ph.D. May not be used to meet unit or residence requirements for the doctoral degree.

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit. Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Scandinavian/Graduate examination preparation

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Danish

DANISH 1A	Beginning Danish	4
DANISH 1B	Intermediate Danish	4
SCANDIN 100A	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 103, intermediate Danish)	4
SCANDIN 100B	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 103, advanced Danish)	4

Finnish

FINNISH 1A	Beginning Finnish	4
FINNISH 1B	Beginning Finnish	4
FINNISH 102A	Intermediate Finnish	4
FINNISH 102B	Intermediate Finnish	4

Icelandic

ICELAND 1A	Beginning Icelandic I	4
ICELAND 1B	Beginning Icelandic II	4

Old Norse

SCANDIN 201A	Old Norse	4
SCANDIN 201B	Norse Literature	4

Norwegian

NORWEGN 1A	Beginning Norwegian	4
NORWEGN 1B	Intermediate Norwegian	4
SCANDIN 100A	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 102, intermediate)	4
SCANDIN 100B	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 102, advanced)	4

Swedish

SWEDISH 1A	Beginning Swedish	4
SWEDISH 1B	Intermediate Swedish	4
SCANDIN 100A	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 101, intermediate)	4
SCANDIN 100B	Scandinavian Languages and Linguistics (section 101, advanced)	4