

# Opasraportti

## FHum - Scandinavian Studies (2020 - 2021)

University's new study guide for academic year 2020-2021 is published at <https://opas.peppi oulu.fi>

The study guide includes information on degrees, curriculums, courses and course timetables. Course registrations are still done in Oodi.

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### Scandinavian Studies Programme

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The Scandinavian Studies is an introductory level programme that is designed to give the participants a broad overview of Scandinavian history, culture and everyday life. Upon completing the programme, students will be able to identify various aspects of Finnish and Scandinavian culture, history, literature and everyday life.

Participants include both Finnish and international students from different countries. This provides an excellent opportunity for intercultural interactions with students from different cultures and backgrounds.

More information about the programme: <http://www oulu.fi/scandinavianstudies/>

#### ADMISSIONS:

Exchange students coming from the bilateral partner institutions (outside Europe) and from the Erasmus partner institutions/departments of the Faculty of Humanities have priority for enrolment to the Scandinavian Studies Programme. Students from other faculties are also welcome to the courses where there is room.

#### WORK LOAD:

Recommended workload is **30 credits per term**, 60 credits for a full year exchange.

For information on the exchange application process please see [www oulu.fi/university/studentexchange](http://www oulu.fi/university/studentexchange). All exchange applicants must submit their exchange application through SoleMOVE by the deadline given, proposed study plan has to be attached to the on-line application.

Accepted exchange students are required to register to all courses. Course registration takes place once you have received your University of Oulu login information, this takes place close to the start of your exchange period. When registering you will be able to find detailed information on teaching and schedule under the **Instruction** tab.

#### Teaching periods for 2020-21

##### Autumn term 2020

Period 1: Sept 1 - Oct 25, 2020

Period 2: Oct 26 – Dec 18, 2020

##### Spring term 2021

Period 3: Jan 5 – March 14, 2021

Period 4: March 15 – May 9, 2021

For arrival and orientation dates see [www.oulu.fi/university/studentexchange/academic-calender](http://www.oulu.fi/university/studentexchange/academic-calender)

### **Scandinavian Studies courses**

683780P Survival Finnish, 5 ECTS cr

683708P Saami Culture, 5 ECTS cr

683717P Anthropology of Finland, 5 ECTS cr

683718P The Baltic Sea: Marine Environment and People, 5 ECTS cr

683719P Language in Society, 5 ECTS cr

683781P Scandinavian Prehistory, 5 ECTS cr

683782P Nordic Mythology, 5 ECTS cr

683783P Finnish Literature, 5 ECTS cr

683784P Scandinavian Literature, 5 ECTS cr

683785P People and Environment in (sub-)Arctic Europe, 5 ECTS cr

683786P Introduction to Finnish History, 5 ECTS cr

683787P Optional course, 5 ECTS cr

## **Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot**

683717P: Anthropology of Finland, 5 op

683783P: Finnish Literature, 5 op

683786P: Introduction to Finnish History, 5 op

683719P: Language in Society, 5 op

683782P: Nordic Mythology, 5 op

683787P: Optional course, 5 op

683785P: People and Environment in (sub-)Arctic Europe, 5 op

683708P: Saami Culture, 5 op

683784P: Scandinavian Literature, 5 op

683781P: Scandinavian Prehistory, 5 op

683780P: Survival Finnish, 5 op

683718P: The Baltic Sea: Marine Environment and People, 5 op

## **Opintojaksosten kuvaukset**

### **Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksosten kuvaukset**

## 683717P: Anthropology of Finland, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.01.2017 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Samuel Vaneeckhout, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS credits

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Spring semester

**Learning outcomes:**

With this course students will have a better idea of some basic concepts of anthropology and will have a deeper understanding of Finnish culture and society.

**Contents:**

Course offers an introduction on Finnish culture and society from a holistic perspective. Its purpose is to cover some important aspects (Education, Nature, History, Social organization) of Finland through literature, discussion and lectures.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the University of Oulu

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous knowledge about the topic is needed

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Continuous assessment

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1-5, zero stands for a fail

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None.

## 683783P: Finnish Literature, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Hanna-Leena Määttä, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Spring semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Students will be able to describe and analyze Finnish literature and the most acknowledged Finnish authors from the 19th to the 21st century.

**Contents:**

This course is an introduction to Finnish literature. It consists of lectures and seminar work. Students will be familiarized with a selection of works by prominent Finnish authors and will receive a general understanding of Finnish literature from the 19th to the 21st century. The course emphasizes discussion, analysis and active participation by students.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures.

**Target group:**

Exchange and regular students studying at the University of Oulu.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Participation in the lectures, home essay.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None.

## 683786P: Introduction to Finnish History, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Maria Julku, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

After the course students will be able to comprehend the geopolitical position of Finland against the historical background, as well as the relationship between Finland and its neighbouring countries. Students will have developed their critical thinking and as well as their contextualization and argumentation skills.

**Contents:**

The course introduces students to Finnish history from the Middle Ages up to the present day. The focus is on the main outlines of Finnish history, which reaches back far beyond the birth of the independent sovereign state of Finland. While Finland is like other Nordic countries in many ways, it has a distinctive history of being a part of and a neighbour to powerful states surrounding the Baltic Sea. Additionally, the climate and remoteness of Finland have shaped it in many ways. Understanding the historical development of Finland is crucial to understanding contemporary Finland and its people. In addition to political history, Finnish social, cultural and economic history is also discussed during the lectures. In the home essay and short presentation, students will be able to research a subject they are interested in.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures, museum visit.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, list of recommended reading to choose from provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Participation to the lectures, home essay, short presentation.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

No

## 683719P: Language in Society, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.01.2017 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Heini Karjalainen, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS credits

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Spring semester

**Learning outcomes:**

After the course, the students have gained some basic information on sociolinguistic studies and new tools to observe the connections between language and society. The level of language awareness, understanding sociolinguistic phenomena and the ability to understand the linguistic situation of their own language environment arises.

**Contents:**

This course is an introduction to different sociolinguistic topics and phenomena. During the course such topics as variation of spoken language and dialects, language ideologies and attitudes, language policies and minority languages, multilingualism, superdiversity and language education will be explored. The Finnish language and society act as an example and the starting point for the course. The approach is quite popular, so previous studies in linguistics are not required. The course is suited for all students interested languages' influence on society, including education, different minorities, power relations and equality.

**Mode of delivery:**

Working methods include lectures, exploratory learning diaries, readings and student presentations

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the University of Oulu

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

Previous studies in linguistics are not required

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Continuous assessment, learning diaries, presentations

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1-5, zero stands for a fail

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683782P: Nordic Mythology, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Johanna Lindvall, Samuel Vaneeckhout

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon the completion of the course, students will be familiarized with the mythological heritage of Scandinavia and its contemporary expressions.

**Contents:**

The course investigates traditional and contemporary Finnish and Scandinavian folklore and mythologies and their uses in the arts, social life, and politics in the Nordic countries both past and present.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures.

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the Faculty of Humanities.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Lecture journal, written assignments.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683787P: Optional course, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

## 683785P: People and Environment in (sub-)Arctic Europe, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Élise Lepy, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course the students will be familiarized with the natural environments of Norway, Sweden and Finland and will gain a comprehensive overview of the way people live in such environments. They will be able to:

- discuss about environmental conflicts in Fennoscandinavia taking into consideration global environmental issues such as climate change,
- follow the public discussions around environmental matters in the media (newspapers etc.) and
- work in group and build their own reflections on group activities.

**Contents:**

The course explores the interactions between (sub-)Arctic societies and their natural environments in Northern Europe. Topics to discuss include the salient features of such northern environments, the availability and utilization of natural resources, and the effects of global environmental changes (incl. climate change) on local northern livelihoods.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures

**Target group:**

Exchange and regular students studying at the University of Oulu

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, study material on Moodle and list of readings given by the teacher at the beginning of the course.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Group presentations (25% of the final grade), individual report writing (25%), final written exam (50%). In order to pass the course, it is required to pass all the assignments.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment from 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683708P: Saami Culture, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2012 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Sonja Tanhua, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS credits

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

The student will be able to define various aspects of traditional and contemporary Sami culture and analyze how the Sami themselves form their identity in a changing world.

**Contents:**

The course is an examination of the Saami people, their traditional culture, literature, arts and music as well as the contemporary Saami society. Some attention will be paid to other minority and Fourth World Nations perspective as well.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 h of lectures

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the Faculty of Humanities

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Continuous assessment, written essay.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1-5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

**683784P: Scandinavian Literature, 5 op**

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2020 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opettajat: Hanna-Leena Määttä, Johanna Lindvall

Opintokohteen kielet: English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Students will be able to describe and analyze Scandinavian literature and the most acknowledged Scandinavian authors from the 19th to the 21st century.

**Contents:**

The course explores Scandinavian literature through different genres and prominent/popular literary works from the 19th century to the present. A selection of texts by famous Swedish, Norwegian, Danish and Icelandic authors is discussed against the background of contemporary society and its cultural climate.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 h of lectures.

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the Faculty of Humanities.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**



No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Required reading in addition to notes and handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683781P: Scandinavian Prehistory, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Samuel Vaneeckhout, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Spring semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to describe ancient remains, prehistoric objects and cultural processes in general terms. The students will also be able to describe the material, areal, social and economic basis of Scandinavian folk culture.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures, field trip.

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the Faculty of Humanities.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Continuous assessment. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment from 1-5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683780P: Survival Finnish, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2020 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** English

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS cr

**Timing:**

Fall semester

**Learning outcomes:**

After the course the students will be able to understand and use some of the very common everyday expressions and phrases in Finnish, and they will be able to recognize basic characteristics of Finnish language and Finnish communication styles.

**Contents:**

Introductory Finnish course for students to help them to cope in everyday situations. Everyday phrases, some general features of the vocabulary and grammar and main aspects of the pronunciation of Finnish.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching.

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

26 hrs of lectures.

**Target group:**

Exchange students studying at the Scandinavian Studies Programme.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous studies required.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, handouts provided by the teacher.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Final examination at the end of the course.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1–5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None

## 683718P: The Baltic Sea: Marine Environment and People, 5 op

**Voimassaolo:** 01.01.2017 -

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Faculty of Humanities

**Arvostelu:** 1 - 5, pass, fail

**Opettajat:** Élise Lepy, Johanna Lindvall

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**ECTS Credits:**

5 ECTS credits

**Language of instruction:**

English

**Timing:**

Spring semester

**Learning outcomes:**

Upon completion of the course the students will be familiarized with the socio-economic and ecological aspects of the Baltic Sea environment of today. They will be able to:

- discuss about the current state of the Baltic Sea in terms of nature and economic activities.
- define the major environmental threats for the Baltic Sea and follow the public discussions on that matter in the media (newspapers etc.) and
- work in group and build their own reflections on group activities.

**Contents:**

The course explores the physical particularities of the marine environment and the short and long-term changes that the sea undergoes. It also addresses the development of human activities and the interactions with the natural environment, i.e. the past and current adaptation of human activities to environmental changes and the

impacts of human pressures on marine ecosystems. Students will get familiar with topics such as eutrophication, sea ice, climate change, navigation, Hanse, tourism, EU strategy for the Baltic Sea Region among others.

**Mode of delivery:**

Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**

24 hrs of lectures

**Target group:**

Exchange and regular students studying at the University of Oulu.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**

No previous knowledge about the topic is needed.

**Recommended or required reading:**

Notes, study material on Moodle and list of readings given by the teacher at the beginning of the course.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**

Group presentations (25% of the final grade), individual report writing (25%), final written exam (50%). In order to pass the course, it is required to pass all the assignments.

Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**

Numerical assessment 1-5, zero stands for a fail.

**Person responsible:**

Coordinator of the Scandinavian Studies Programme

**Working life cooperation:**

None