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Saami Culture (2013 - 2014)

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Admission requirements

Anyone who wishes to study Sámi Culture as a major subject must take an entrance examination that is held on a date announced by the institute. Sámi Culture may also be studied as a minor subject by students who are already enrolled at the university. It may be taken to complement, for example, major subjects such as cultural anthropology, history or North Sámi/Inari Sámi. The Basic Studies package in Sámi Culture is compulsory to students of Sámi Language who aim to become teachers.

Study guidance

Study guidance is offered by lecturer/student affairs, tel. +358 29 448 3486, lecturer, tel. +358 29 448 3491 and professor, tel. +358 29 448 3489.

Overview of the subject

The University of Oulu holds the national responsibility to develop the highest education and research on Sámi language and culture. The Giellagas Institute has offered North Sámi as a major subject since its establishment in 2001 and Sámi Culture since 2004, in order to train researchers, teachers and other professionals who have a profound knowledge of Sámi culture.

In addition to providing students with an understanding of the Sámi cultural heritage, the subject familiarizes them with the Sámi culture and society of today. The development of Sámi culture is connected with the historical, social and juridical conditions of the Nordic countries and Russia. Sámi culture is set in a larger context and examined from the viewpoint of indigenous peoples, especially of the North, who share similar natural conditions, historical developments and claims for maintaining their traditional rights.

Completing both the Bachelor's and Master's degrees takes approximately five years of study. In addition to offering students the possibility to become researchers and teachers, studies in Sámi Culture prepare them for a range of tasks in the domain of culture, not only within the Sámi area in Finland but also in other Nordic countries and various international contexts. Cultural professionals are needed in Sámi, municipal and state administration as well as in various cultural events, organizations and projects in art and culture.
Suitable minor subjects include, for example, Sámi Language, Cultural Anthropology, Sociology, Finnish and Scandinavian History, Archaeology, Information Studies and Cultural Geography at the University of Oulu or Administrative Science, Environmental Law and International Relations at the University of Lapland. The degree also includes studies in the Sámi language that aim at practical language skills.

**Practical information**

The curriculum will be announced at the start of each semester and can be found on the notice board and website of the subject: [http://www.oulu.fi/giellagas](http://www.oulu.fi/giellagas). The notice board and website are also used to inform students about information and feedback sessions and other important events.

**Examinations**

Students must register for an examination by signing up in WebOodi at least 10 days before the date of the examination. Examinations in subjects offered by the Giellagas Institute can be taken either on faculty examination dates or on examination dates for subject group I. Examination dates and times can be found on the [website of the Faculty of Humanities](http://www.oulu.fi/giellagas). It is not necessary to sign up for lecture examinations, unless otherwise agreed.

Courses taken successfully will be entered in the study register, which students should check at least every six months. Examination answers will be retained for six months after the results have been posted.

**Compulsory minor subjects**

The Basic Studies package (25 ECTS cr) in North Sámi for students who are native speakers of North Sámi, who have a native-like command of the Sámi language, who have completed Sámi as a native language in secondary school or for whom the Sámi language is their second language.

North Sámi as a Foreign Language (25 ECTS cr) or corresponding studies in Inari Sámi.

Students taking the Basic Studies package (25 ECTS cr) in the Sámi language also have to complete the required amount of general language and communication studies (see Study Guide: Language and communication studies).

**Study materials**

There are only a few textbooks and thematic volumes available especially on modern Sámi culture, and the majority of significant research findings have been published as articles in various journals and volumes. That is why most of the study materials that are used in the subject of Sámi Culture have been compiled into so-called article folders. Information about the folders and other reading materials will be announced in the autumn and spring bulletins.

**Learning objectives at different levels**

Having completed the Basic Studies package in Sámi Culture, students are familiar with the main features of Sámi culture and its historical and regional variation. The package comprises seven courses and, having completed them, students have a basic understanding of, for example, Sámi history, means of livelihood, society, traditional knowledge and indigenous peoples as well as of the processes of carrying out research in general. The studies are based on lectures that are supplemented with readings for examinations, article folders and various exercises.

Having completed the Intermediate Studies package, students have an in-depth understanding of the Sámi as part of indigenous communities. Students are capable of academic writing, presentation and discussion. They are also able to critically draw on source materials, analyze data and apply various methods to carry out research. As students progress from Basic Studies to Intermediate Studies, the emphasis shifts to research and methodology: in addition to a theoretical section, the Intermediate Studies package includes a Bachelor's thesis and related seminar work. The Intermediate Studies package includes an elective course that offers students an opportunity to deepen their knowledge on topics of their interest by familiarizing themselves with appropriate readings, for example, or to gain practical experience through a period of work practice. The specific aim of the Intermediate Studies package is for students to gain their Bachelor's degree in humanities.

Having completed the Advanced Studies package, students have a comprehensive, up-to-date understanding of Sámi culture and changes in it as well as of the development of the Sámi society in the Nordic countries and Russia.
Students are able to describe, analyze and assess Sámi culture to an increasing degree, first and foremost from the viewpoint of indigenous peoples in the North. Furthermore, students have the academic and practical ability to carry out research and to apply the findings of their own research area, among other things, when acting as experts.

**Courses**

**Basic Studies 25 ECTS cr**

683300Y Personal study plan 1 0 ECTS cr (major students only)

683371P Introduction to Sámi culture 3 ECTS cr

683372P Prehistory of Sámi area and history of Sámi people 4 ECTS cr

683373P Traditional means of livelihood and material culture 3 ECTS cr

683374P Modern Sámi society and rights 4 ECTS cr

683394P World views and art of Sámi people 5 ECTS cr

683395P Indigenous peoples 3 ECTS cr

683377P Introduction to research on Sámi 3 ECTS cr

**Intermediate Studies 45 ECTS cr**

683301Y Personal study plan 2 0 ECTS cr (major students only)

683396A Special issues in the past of Sámi people 5 ECTS cr

683397A Sámi cultural environment and land use 5 ECTS cr

683480A Development of Sámi society 5 ECTS cr

683481A Sámi cultural heritage and its use 6 ECTS cr

683482A Trends in research on Sámi 6 ECTS cr

683501A Ethnic relations and co-operation between indigenous peoples 4 ECTS cr

683483A Research methods and ethics 4 ECTS cr

683392A Elective courses and work practice 3–10 ECTS cr

683384A Candidate's thesis 10 ECTS cr

683390A Maturity examination 0 ECTS cr

**Advanced Studies 80 ECTS cr**

683302Y Personal study plan 3 0 ECTS cr (major students only)

683385S Focus on special themes 10 ECTS cr

683386S Survey of theory and methods 12 ECTS cr

683387S Seminar 8 sp 683388S Master's thesis 40 ECTS cr

682289S Elective courses and/or work practice 10 ECTS cr

683391S Maturity examination 0 ECTS cr
Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot

683384A: Bachelor's Thesis, 10 op
683480A: Development of Sámi society, 5 op
683501A: Ethnic relations and international co-operation, 4 op
683385S: Focus on special themes, 10 op
683395P: Indigenous Peoples and Northern Cultures, 3 op
683371P: Introduction to Saami culture, 3 op
683377P: Introduction to research on Saami, 3 op
683388S: Master's Thesis, 40 op
683390A: Maturity Test for Bachelor's Degree (Saami Culture), 0 op
683391S: Maturity Test for Master's degree (Saami Culture), 0 op
682289S: Optional courses and/or work practice, 2 - 10 op
683392A: Optional studies or work practice, 5 op
683300Y: Personal Study Plan 1 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op
683301Y: Personal Study Plan 2 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op
683302Y: Personal Study Plan 3 (Master's degree), 0 op
683483A: Research methods and ethics, 4 op
683397A: Saami Cultural Environment, 5 op
683387S: Seminar, 8 op
683396A: Special Issues in the Saami Past, 5 op
683386S: Survey of theory and methods, 12 op
683481A: Sámi cultural heritage and its use, 6 op
683374P: The Saami Society and its Rights, 5 op
683372P: The prehistory of the Saami regions and the history of the Saami people, 4 op
683373P: Traditional means of livelihood and material culture, 3 op
683482A: Trends in Research on Saami, 5 op
683394P: World views and art of the Saami people, 5 op

Opintojaksojen kuvaukset

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

683384A: Bachelor's Thesis, 10 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
10
Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English
Timing:
2nd/3rd year.
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are capable of academic writing, presentation and discussion. They are also able to draw on source materials and apply different methods in carrying out research as well as to analyze their data.

Contents:
Familiarization with the practices of doing research and writing academic texts.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Candidate's seminar, lectures and exercises.

Target group:
Second-/third-year student

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder and additional materials.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Participation in candidate's seminar and independent work in preparation of candidate's thesis. Lecture- and exercise-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay. Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor and lecturer.

Working life cooperation:
No

683480A: Development of Sámi society, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohde kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
5

Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English

Timing:
2nd/3rd year.

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with the development and activities of the Sámi society and are able to describe, compare and assess critically the positions that Sámi people hold as individuals and as communities in the Nordic national states and in Russia.

Contents:
Familiarization with the institutionalization of the Sámi society, with new possibilities of political influence, with issues of education and welfare as well as with the mobility and working life of the Sámi people. Additionally, in-depth familiarization with the activities and future challenges of Sámi communities, individuals and social institutions.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures (and possible visits/excursions).

Target group:
Second-/third-year students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder and additional materials
Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
Grading:
0–5
Person responsible:
Lecturer
Working life cooperation:

683501A: Ethnic relations and international co-operation, 4 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
4
Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English.
Timing:
2nd/3rd year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able to describe, explain and analyze the dynamics of ethnic relations in national and international contexts. Students are familiar with the new, international means of influence that indigenous peoples have, and they are able to compare and apply such knowledge in their own environment.
Contents:
Familiarization with the ethnic relations in the Sámi area and in-depth examination of the roles and forms of cooperation between indigenous peoples around the world and especially in the Arctic.
Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching
Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and exercises
Target group:
Second-/third-year students
Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture
Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder and additional materials.
Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
Grading:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Person responsible:
Lecturer
Working life cooperation:
No

683385S: Focus on special themes, 10 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
ECTS Credits: 10  
Language of instruction: Finnish/Sámi/English  
Timing: 1st year of Master's degree studies  
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are able independently to familiarize themselves with the subject matter, topic and themes of their own Master's thesis with the help of relevant literature. They are also able to assess the relevance of prior research in relation to their own topic.  
Contents: Familiarization with the subject matter, topic and themes of Master's thesis with the help of selected literature.  
Mode of delivery: Self study  
Learning activities and teaching methods: Independent work and study of literature.  
Target group: Students in the 1st year of their Master's degree studies  
Prerequisites and co-requisites: Basic and Intermediate Studies in Sámi Culture  
Recommended or required reading: Readings/additional materials.  
Assessment methods and criteria: Book examination. After taking the examination, students prepare an essay that ties their own research question to a theoretical framework and a relevant larger research area. Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.  
Grading: 0–5  
Person responsible: Professor and/or lecturer  
Working life cooperation: No

683395P: Indigenous Peoples and Northern Cultures, 3 op  
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies  
Laji: Course  
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies  
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail  
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish  
Leikkaavuudet: ay683395P Indigenous peoples and northern cultures (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op  
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits: 3  
Language of instruction: Finnish/English  
Timing: First year, spring semester  
Learning outcomes: Upon completing the course, students can describe and explain the culture of indigenous peoples and developments related to decolonization.  
Contents: Students will be introduced to the concept of indigenous peoples and its relevance in international relations, as well as become acquainted with some indigenous peoples’ present day lives and history.
Mode of delivery: Contact teaching and self study
Learning activities and teaching methods: Lectures and independent study of relevant literature
Target group: First-year students
Prerequisites and co-requisites: None
Recommended optional programme components: -
Recommended or required reading: Literature/selected articles
Assessment methods and criteria: Formal written exam on lectures or lecture diary; book exam/essay
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
Grading: 0–5
Person responsible: University Lecturer of Saami Culture
Working life cooperation: No

683371P: Introduction to Saami culture, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet: ay683371P Introduction to Saami culture (OPEN UNI) 3.0 op
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits: 3
Language of instruction: Finnish
Timing: 1st year, autumn semester
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are able to describe the main regional and cultural elements of Sámi culture, and they have a general understanding of the diversity of Sámi culture.
Contents: Introduction to the regional, linguistic and cultural variation of Sámi culture from the viewpoints of different disciplines and research traditions.
Mode of delivery: Contact teaching
Learning activities and teaching methods: Lectures
Target group: first-year students
Prerequisites and co-requisites: None
Recommended or required reading: Readings/article folder
Assessment methods and criteria: Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
Grading: 
683377P: Introduction to research on Saami, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Anni-Siiri Länsman
Opintokohteen kielet: Northern Sami

ECTS Credits:
3

Language of instruction:
Finnish

Timing:
1st year, spring semester

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able to describe and define key areas in research on Sámi and are familiar with the history of research on Sámi.

Contents:
Introduction to the history, organizations and current themes of research on Sámi.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and exercises; independent study of literature

Target group:
First-year students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
None

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder

Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor.

Working life cooperation:
No

683388S: Master's Thesis, 40 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Diploma thesis
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
ECTS Credits: 40
Language of instruction: Finnish/Sámi/English
Timing: 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies.
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are able to apply different theories and methods in carrying out research. Through the preparation of Master's thesis, students adopt an academic way of thinking and gain the capability of critically searching for information and of communicating in academic contexts.
Contents: An independently prepared thesis that is primarily based on students' own research and that deals with materials of Sámi culture with the help of a theoretical framework.
Mode of delivery: Self study
Learning activities and teaching methods: Independent work (supported by thesis supervisor).
Target group: Students in their 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies
Prerequisites and co-requisites: Basic and Intermediate Studies in Sámi Culture
Assessment methods and criteria: Writing a thesis and taking two bound copies of it to the faculty, Master's thesis seminar.
Grading: 0–5
Person responsible: Professor and/or lecturer.
Working life cooperation: No

683390A: Maturity Test for Bachelor's Degree (Saami Culture), 0 op
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
ECTS Credits: 0
Language of instruction: Finnish, Swedish or Sámi (language of education)
Timing: 3rd year
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are, based on instructions, able to write essays that are well-prepared in terms of language and content, and that show the students' ability critically to present the theoretical and methodological framework and key results of their thesis.
Mode of delivery: Self study
Learning activities and teaching methods: Maturity examination can be taken on a faculty examination date
Target group: Saami Culture major subject students
Prerequisites and co-requisites: Candidate's thesis passed
Assessment methods and criteria: Essay written in an examination
Grading: 0–5
Person responsible: Professor and/or lecturer.
Working life cooperation: No
Grading:
pass/fail

Person responsible:
Professor and lecturer

Working life cooperation:
No

683391S: Maturity Test for Master's degree (Saami Culture), 0 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits:
0
Language of instruction:
Finnish, Swedish or Sámi (language of education)

Timing:
5th year

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able to present the key methods, results and conclusions of their
thesis in a competent, concise and selective manner.

Mode of delivery:
Self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:
A summary of Master's thesis in student's native language. The summary shall be written on a form that is
available on the faculty website.

Target group:
Students majoring in Sámi Culture

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
A completed Master's Thesis which has been submitted for grading

Assessment methods and criteria:
Summary of the thesis
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
Pass/fail

Person responsible:
Professor

Working life cooperation:
No

682289S: Optional courses and/or work practice, 2 - 10 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
2–10

Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English.

Timing:
1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies.
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able independently to acquire knowledge and skills in a specific area in Sámi culture and are also able to analyze, interpret and comment on them.

Contents:
Work practice and/or courses in Sámi culture according to students’ interests.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching and self study

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and exercises, independent work and study of literature.

Target group:
Students in their 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic and Intermediate Studies in Sámi Culture

Assessment methods and criteria:
To be agreed on.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
Pass/Fail; 0–5

Person responsible:
Lecturer.

Working life cooperation:
Work practice according to students’ interests.

683392A: Optional studies or work practice, 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
3–10 sp

Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English

Timing:
2nd/3rd year

Learning outcomes:
Students are able to search for information and are capable of carefully attending to a specific theme or field of research, based on selected readings or other materials or through work practice.

Contents:
To be agreed upon.

Learning activities and teaching methods:
To be agreed upon.

Target group:
Second- /third-year students

Recommended or required reading:
To be agreed on.

Assessment methods and criteria:
To be agreed on.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor and/or lecturer.

683300Y: Personal Study Plan 1 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2009 -
Assessment methods and criteria:
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

683301Y: Personal Study Plan 2 (Bachelor's degree), 0 op

Assessment methods and criteria:
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

683302Y: Personal Study Plan 3 (Master's degree), 0 op

Assessment methods and criteria:
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

683483A: Research methods and ethics, 4 op

ECTS Credits:
4
Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English
Timing:
2nd/3rd year
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able to apply appropriate methods in research on Sámi. Students understand and are able to apply ethical principles in carrying out research.

Contents:
Introduction to methods suitable for multidisciplinary research on Sámi, from data collection to analysis and the writing of research reports. In addition to general principles in research ethics, familiarization with ethical issues typical to research on indigenous peoples.

**Mode of delivery:**
Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures and exercises

**Target group:**
Second-/third-year students

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

**Recommended or required reading:**
Readings/article folder and additional materials.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**
0–5

**Person responsible:**
Professor or lecturer.

**Working life cooperation:**
No

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**683397A: Saami Cultural Environment, 5 op**

**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies

**Laji:** Course

**Vastuuyksikkö:** Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies

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

**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**
5

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish/Sámi/English.

**Timing:**
2nd/3rd year.

**Learning outcomes:**
Upon completion of the course, students are able to describe and analyze different dimensions of the Sámi cultural environment.

**Contents:**
Familiarization with the means of livelihood in the Sámi area and with their relationships as well as with the rights to and understandings about the use of the natural environment.

**Mode of delivery:**
Contact teaching and self study

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures and independent study of literature

**Target group:**
Second-/Third-year students

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

**Recommended or required reading:**
Readings/article folder and additional materials.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**
0–5

**Person responsible:**
Lecturer.
683387S: Seminar, 8 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies  
Laji: Course 
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies 
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail 
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits: 8


Timing: 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies

Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are able to plan and carry out research and they are capable of academic argumentation in speaking and writing.

Contents: Participation in a Laudatur seminar that takes at least two months (at least 4/5 sessions required).

Mode of delivery: Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods: Seminar work.

Target group: Students in their 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies

Prerequisites and co-requisites: Basic and Intermediate Studies in Sámi Culture

Assessment methods and criteria: Practice in carrying out research through the preparation of a research proposal, a Laudatur presentation and a manuscript of Master's thesis. During the seminar, acting as an opponent to another student and preparing an essay or a summary of the topic of Master's thesis.

Grading: 0–5

Person responsible: Professor and/or lecturer.

Working life cooperation: No

683396A: Special Issues in the Saami Past, 5 op

Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies  
Laji: Course 
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies 
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail 
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits: 5

Language of instruction: Finnish/Sámi/English

Timing: 2nd year, autumn semester
Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with questions about the past of the Sámi people from historical and archaeological viewpoints and are able critically to assess the image that different sources form of the past of the Sámi people.

Contents:
Familiarization with special issues and themes in historical research concerning the Sámi people, such as the political history of the Sámi people and the recent history of the Sámi people in Finland.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
 Lectures

Target group:
Second- /Third-year students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor.

Working life cooperation:
No

683386S: Survey of theory and methods, 12 op

Opiskelumuoto: Advanced Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuysikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
12

Language of instruction:
Finnish/Sámi/English

Timing:
1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are able to explain and apply theories, theoretical frameworks and different methods that are relevant for research on Sámi as well as for their own Master's thesis.

Contents:
In-depth familiarization with different theories and methods concerning Sámi culture.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures, exercises, etc.

Target group:
Students in their 1st/2nd year of Master's degree studies.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic and Intermediate Studies in Sámi Culture

Assessment methods and criteria:
Book examination/essay; term paper; another method to be agreed upon

Grading:
0–5
683481A: Sámi cultural heritage and its use, 6 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2011 -
Opiskelumuoto: Intermediate Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

ECTS Credits: 6
Language of instruction: Finnish/Sámi/English
Timing: 2nd/3rd year

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with the tangible and intangible forms of Sámi cultural heritage. Students are able to analyze how cultural heritage changes and is passed on, and they understand and are able to interpret the different meanings that cultural heritage holds today.

Contents:
Exploration of the religious history of the Sámi people, changes in different traditions, passing of traditional knowledge and skills as well as the use and significance of cultural heritage today and in the future.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Lectures and exercises

Target group:
Second-/third-year students

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder and additional materials.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor

Working life cooperation:
No

683374P: The Saami Society and its Rights, 5 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Anni-Siiri Länsman
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
ECTS Credits: 4
Language of instruction: Finnish.
Timing: 1st year, autumn semester
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with modern Sámi society and the status that the Sámi people hold in different national states.
Contents: Introduction to the social institutions and activities of the Sámi people. Introduction to the legal status of the Sámi people in the Nordic countries and Russia.
Mode of delivery: Contact teaching
Learning activities and teaching methods: Lectures and independent study of literature
Target group: First-year students.
Prerequisites and co-requisites: None
Recommended or required reading: Readings/article folder
Assessment methods and criteria: Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay.
Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.
Grading: 0–5
Person responsible: Lecturer.
Working life cooperation: No

683372P: The prehistory of the Saami regions and the history of the Saami people, 4 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -
Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies
Laji: Course
Vastuuyksikkö: Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Lehtola, Veli-Pekka
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish
Leikkaavuudet:

ECTS Credits: 4
Language of instruction: Finnish.
Timing: 1st year, autumn semester
Learning outcomes: Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with the prehistory of the Sámi area and have a general understanding of developments in the history of the Sámi people.
Contents:
Survey of basic archaeological and historical facts and understandings about the origin of the Sámi people, the development of their society and means of livelihood and their role as "makers of their own history".

**Mode of delivery:**
Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures.

**Target group:**
First-year students

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**
None

**Recommended or required reading:**
Readings/article folder.

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination.

Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

**Grading:**
0–5

**Person responsible:**
Professor.

**Working life cooperation:**
No

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**683373P: Traditional means of livelihood and material culture, 3 op**

**Voimassaolo:** 01.08.2005 -
**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies

**Laji:** Course
**Vastuuyksikkö:** Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies

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

**Opettajat:** Väyrynen, Anna-Liisa
**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish

**Leikkaavuudet:**
ay683373P  Traditional means of livelihood and material culture (OPEN UNI)  4.0 op

**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**
3

**Language of instruction:**
Finnish

**Timing:**
1st year, spring semester.

**Learning outcomes:**
Upon completion of the course, students are able to describe the Sámi cultural environment and, relatedly, traditional means of livelihood and their development. Students are also familiar with the material cultural heritage of the Sámi people.

**Contents:**
Introduction to the concept of Sámi cultural environment and familiarization with the traditional means of livelihood and material cultural heritage of the Sámi people.

**Mode of delivery:**
Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**
Lectures and independent study of literature.

**Target group:**
First-year students.

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**
None

**Recommended or required reading:**
Readings/article folder

**Assessment methods and criteria:**
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.  

**Grading:**  
0-5  

**Person responsible:**  
Lecturer.  

**Working life cooperation:**  
No

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### 683482A: Trends in Research on Saami, 5 op

**Voitmassalo:** 01.08.2011 -  
**Opiskelumuoto:** Intermediate Studies  
**Laji:** Course  
**Vastuuysikkö:** Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies  
**Arvostelu:** 1-5, pass, fail  
**Opintokohteen kielet:** Finnish  
**Voidaan suorittaa useasti:** Kyllä

**ECTS Credits:**  
6

**Language of instruction:**  
Finnish/Sámi/English.

**Timing:**  
2nd/3rd year

**Learning outcomes:**  
Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with multidisciplinary research on Sámi and are able to assess the starting points, research questions and methods of such research as well as the ways of producing knowledge. Students are also able to set such research against a relevant background and thus analyze, interpret and assess changing representations of the Sámi people and the practices involved.

**Contents:**  
Familiarization with multidisciplinary research on Sámi and other historically and socially changing representations of the Sámi people, for example, in politics, arts and the media.

**Mode of delivery:**  
Contact teaching

**Learning activities and teaching methods:**  
Lectures and exercises.

**Target group:**  
Second-/Third-year students

**Prerequisites and co-requisites:**  
Basic Studies in Sámi Culture

**Recommended or required reading:**  
Readings/article folder and additional materials

**Assessment methods and criteria:**  
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay. Read more about [assessment criteria](#) at the University of Oulu webpage.  

**Grading:**  
0–5

**Person responsible:**  
Professor

**Working life cooperation:**  
No

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### 683394P: World views and art of the Saami people, 5 op

**Opiskelumuoto:** Basic Studies  
**Laji:** Course  
**Vastuuysikkö:** Giellagas Institute for Saami Studies
Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail
Opettajat: Lehtola, Veli-Pekka
Opintokohteen kielet: Finnish

Leikkaavuudet:
ay683394P  World views and art of the Saami people (OPEN UNI)  5.0 op

Voidaan suorittaa useasti: Kyllä

ECTS Credits:
5

Language of instruction:
Finnish.

Timing:
1st year, spring semester

Learning outcomes:
Upon completion of the course, students are familiar with the intangible cultural heritage of the Sámi people and their current world views and forms of art.

Contents:
Introduction to the roots of Sámi world views, from "shamanism" to the narrative and yoik traditions. An overview of the diversity of modern Sámi literature, visual arts, cinema and theatre.

Mode of delivery:
Contact teaching

Learning activities and teaching methods:
Readings/article folder and art.

Target group:
First-year students.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:
None

Recommended or required reading:
Readings/article folder and art.

Assessment methods and criteria:
Lecture-based examination or learning journal; book examination/essay. Read more about assessment criteria at the University of Oulu webpage.

Grading:
0–5

Person responsible:
Professor.

Working life cooperation:
No