

Scandinavian Studies (SCAN)

Andreasson-Hogg

The objectives of the Scandinavian Studies major are: (1) to impart to the student a knowledge of the Swedish or Norwegian language in its spoken and written forms and (2) to develop the student's awareness of the environmental and cultural context of the Scandinavian languages, i.e., Scandinavian history, literature, arts and contemporary society in five countries (Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, and Iceland); and (3) to develop abilities comprehending Scandinavian languages.

Major requirements for the B.A. degree in Scandinavian Studies

Required semester hours

36 sh

Required core courses

SWED 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020, 3150; or NORW 1010, 1020, plus a semester language study in Norway to earn NORW 2010, 2020, 3150; and SCAN 2130; 3010 or 3020 or 3200; 3250.

Electives

4 additional hours in Swedish from 4000, 3910, 4910.

Special programs

The Center for Scandinavian Studies administers exchange programs with institutions in Scandinavia and invites guest faculty, artists, performers, and lecturers. Students are encouraged to spend a semester or a year on exchange in Scandinavia.

Minor requirements in Scandinavian Studies

Required semester hours

20 sh

Required core courses

SWED 1010, 1020, 2010, 2020; or NORW 1010, 1020, plus semester in Norway to earn NORW 2010, 2020.

Electives

4 additional hours in Scandinavian Studies.

Notes and restrictions

- Students must complete a form listing the courses they have taken to complete the minor, to be obtained from the department and on the department website.
- Students must turn in a simple portfolio to the chair of the department containing the following:
 1. A statement of their specific goals upon entering the program
 2. A self-assessment of the achievement of those goals-including what educational experiences most enhanced their learning, curricular and extracurricular.
 3. Two samples of student work from each course: completed: projects, essays or exams.

GE Designates a course that fulfills all or part of a General Education (G.E.) requirement; see the General Education Program section of the catalog for more information.

2040 Swedish Phonetics and Pronunciation (2 sh)

Phonetics and pronunciation is a practical course that aims to help majors improve their pronunciation and learn how to teach pronunciation to others. It also includes the theoretical treatment of phonetics: specifically articulatory phonetics, phonology, linguistics structures, and intonation that will be language specific.

2130 Scandinavian History and Culture (4 sh) GE

Course offered in English. Scandinavia's role in European development. The Viking age, the medieval period, the Reformation, the Counter-Reformation, the modern breakthrough, nineteenth century migration, emergence of the modern democracies, and the Welfare State.

3010 Swedish Literature: Beginnings to the Modern Breakthrough (4 sh)

Survey of Swedish literature from its beginnings through the Reformation and baroque period with special emphasis on the Gustavian and the romantic periods as well as the beginnings of nineteenth century realism. Prerequisite: SWED 2020.

3020 Swedish Literature: From the Modern Breakthrough to the Present (4 sh)

Analysis and discussion of representative texts illustrating the development of Swedish letters and society from the 1880s to the 1980s. Prerequisite: SWED 2020.

3200 Ibsen and Strindberg (4 sh)

Course offered in English. Lectures with reading, discussion, analysis, and synthesis of representative plays of Scandinavia's two internationally significant dramatists.

3250 Reading and Comprehending Scandinavian Languages (4 sh)

The study of current texts in Swedish, Norwegian, and Danish develops the student's ability to read and comprehend the other Scandinavian languages. The texts will reflect issues related to the environment, business and contemporary society in Scandinavia. (Course offered in Swedish, Norwegian and Danish.) Prerequisite: SWED 3150 or Norwegian or Danish equivalent.

3910 Topics in Scandinavian Studies (2 or 4 sh)

Topics courses offered either by the Swedish Department or in cooperation with the Center for Scandinavian Studies.

4000 Departmental Honors in Swedish (4 sh)

Honors students will write a major paper at the honors level and make an oral presentation of the paper at a Spring Honors Symposium.

4910 Independent Study in Swedish (1-4 sh)

Advanced independent research. Open to majors in other disciplines with a reading knowledge of the language.

4970 Internship in Swedish (1-4 sh)

Please refer to the internship section of the catalog for requirements and guidelines.