

COURSE DETAIL

NORDIC MYTHOLOGY

Country

Denmark

Host Institution

University of Copenhagen

Program(s)

University of Copenhagen

UCEAP Course Level

Upper Division

UCEAP Subject Area(s)

Scandinavian Studies Religious Studies History Danish

UCEAP Course Number

140

UCEAP Course Suffix**UCEAP Official Title**

NORDIC MYTHOLOGY

UCEAP Transcript Title

NORDIC MYTHOLOGY

UCEAP Quarter Units

12.00

UCEAP Semester Units

8.00

Course Description

This course is designed for international students. It is a course within the science of religion, and it deals with the religion in Denmark before the introduction of Christianity. The course reads poems concerning pre-Christian deities from Iceland as well as the medieval Icelandic writer Snorri, which makes it possible to get a glimpse of the mythology of the Scandinavians before Christianity. The gods Odin, Thor, Vanir, Loki and Balder are accentuated. The course also goes beyond mythology and tries to get an idea about the religious rituals and the religious experts of the Norsemen. The course includes an excursion to Lejre, Trelleborg and Roskilde and an excursion to Scania in Sweden to visit a couple of burial places in the shape of a ship and also some well-preserved runic stones. Students get an introductory understanding of ancient Nordic religion, mythology, its sources, as well as the archeological remains of it.

Language(s) of Instruction

English

Host Institution Course Number

HDCB01151U,HDCB01152U

Host Institution Course Title

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Host Institution Course Details

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Host Institution Campus

Host Institution Faculty

Humanities

Host Institution Degree

Bachelor

Host Institution Department

SAXO-Institute

Course Last Reviewed

2024-2025

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