

# 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

NORDIC MYTHOLOGY

### Host Institution Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

Humanities

### Host Institution Degree

Bachelor

### Host Institution Department

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