

# COURSE DETAIL

## OLD NORSE LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

**Country**

United Kingdom - Scotland

**Host Institution**

University of Edinburgh

**Program(s)**

University of Edinburgh

**UCEAP Course Level**

Upper Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

Scandinavian Studies

**UCEAP Course Number**

119

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

OLD NORSE LITERATURE AND SOCIETY

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

OLD NORSE LIT&SOC

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

8.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

5.30

## **Course Description**

This course provides an overview of societal, cultural, and literary developments in the North Atlantic island of Iceland, from its settlement in the late 9th Century through the end of its Commonwealth Period in the later part of the 13th Century. The main focus of the course is the rich literary heritage of medieval Iceland. Students engage with a representative selection of texts, covering a range of genres and topics. By undertaking guided readings and analysis against a background of pertinent historical, and cultural developments, the course reviews the value of these texts as literary artefacts and historical source materials.

### **Language(s) of Instruction**

English

### **Host Institution Course Number**

ELCS10039

### **Host Institution Course Title**

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### **Host Institution Course Details**

<http://www.drps.ed.ac.uk/25-26/dpt/cxelcs10039.htm>

### **Host Institution Campus**

### **Host Institution Faculty**

School of Literatures, Languages and Cultures

### **Host Institution Degree**

### **Host Institution Department**

### **Course Last Reviewed**

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