



LUND
UNIVERSITY

Faculties of Humanities and Theology

SASH48, The Old Icelandic Heritage, 7.5 credits

The Old Icelandic Heritage, 7,5 högskolepoäng

First Cycle / Grundnivå

Details of approval

The syllabus was approved by the programmes director by delegation from the pro-dean for first- and second-cycle studies on 2012-03-23 to be valid from 2012-03-23, autumn semester 2012.

General Information

Subject: Scandinavian languages

The course is offered as a free-standing course. It can normally be included as part of a first- or second-cycle degree.

Language of instruction: English

Main field of studies

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Depth of study relative to the degree requirements

G1N, First cycle, has only upper-secondary level entry requirements

Learning outcomes

On completion of the course students shall

Knowledge and understanding

- be able to give an account of medieval Icelandic society (laws, population, housing conditions, family structures, social classes and social system)
- be able to give a general account of Old Norse and compare its central features with a modern language

Competence and skills

- be able to discuss in speech and writing the Icelandic sagas and describe their typical features

- be able to discuss and describe in speech and writing Old Norse-Icelandic poetry
- be able to present an individual project on the subject in speech and writing

Judgement and approach

- be able to take a critical approach to published material on areas of relevance to the course.

Course content

The course provides a broad overview of the ancient Icelandic contribution to the European cultural heritage: the Eddas, the skaldic poetry and sagas as well as the society and language that generated culture.

Course design

Teaching consists of lectures and three to four compulsory seminars at which students present their own projects.

Assessment

Assessment is based on the three to four assignments, active attendance at the compulsory seminars and a final oral and written exam.

Subcourses that are part of this course can be found in an appendix at the end of this document.

Grades

Marking scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction.

Entry requirements

General requirements for university studies in Sweden

Further information

1. The course is also a module of course NOIA01 Icelandic, beginner's course and cannot be combined with this module in the same degree. For further details see the current registration information and other relevant documentation.
2. The course requires oral and written proficiency in English.
3. The course is offered at the Centre for Languages and Literature, Lund University.
4. To be admitted to the course, students must have basic eligibility for higher education studies in Sweden, with the exception of proficiency in Swedish.

Subcourses in SASH48, The Old Icelandic Heritage

Applies from V12

1201 The Old Icelandic Heritage, 7,5 hp
Grading scale: Fail, Pass, Pass with distinction