

Norwegian Studies

Minor Program in Norwegian Studies

Students in any field may complete a minor in Norwegian Studies. A Norwegian Studies minor will consist of the beginning language cycle (NORW 10100-10200-10300 (<http://collegecatalog.uchicago.edu/search/?P=NORW%2010100-10200-10300>) First-Year Norwegian I-II-III) as the language component of the minor. Three additional courses are required to complete the minor. Students choose these courses in consultation with the director of undergraduate studies.

NORW 10100-10200-10300	First-Year Norwegian I-II-III	300
Three Elective Courses *		300
Total Units		600

* Students may choose from NORW 10400 Intermediate Norwegian I: Introduction to Literature, NORW 10500 Intermediate Norwegian II, or any 20000-level Norwegian language and/or literature courses.

Students who elect the minor program in Norwegian Studies must meet with the director of undergraduate studies before the end of Spring Quarter of their third year to declare their intention to complete the minor and must submit a form obtained from their College adviser. Students choose courses in consultation with the director of undergraduate studies. The director's approval for the minor program should be submitted to the student's College adviser by the deadline above on the form.

Courses in the minor may not be double counted with the student's major(s) or with other minors and may not be counted toward general education requirements. Courses in the minor must be taken for quality grades, and more than half of the requirements for the minor must be met by registering for courses bearing University of Chicago course numbers.

Minor program requirements are subject to revision.

Norwegian Courses

NORW 10100-10200-10300. First-Year Norwegian I-II-III.

The aim of this sequence is to provide students with minimal proficiency in the four language skills of speaking, reading, writing and listening—with a special emphasis on speaking. To achieve these goals, we undertake an overview of all major grammar topics and work to acquire a substantial vocabulary.

NORW 10100. First Year Norwegian - I. 100 Units.

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Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Autumn

NORW 10200. Elementary Norwegian-2. 100 Units.

Part two of the three-quarter beginning sequence, NORW10100, NORW10200 and NORW10300, continues the process of providing students with minimal proficiency in the four language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening - with a special emphasis on speaking. To achieve these goals, we undertake an overview of all major grammar topics and work to acquire a substantial vocabulary over the three-quarter sequence.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

NORW 10300. First-Year Norwegian III. 100 Units.

Part three of the three-quarter beginning sequence, NORW 10100, NORW 10200 and NORW 10300, concludes the process of providing students with minimal proficiency in the four language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening—with a special emphasis on speaking. To achieve these goals, we undertake an overview of all major grammar topics and work to acquire a substantial vocabulary over the three-quarter sequence.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Spring

NORW 10200. Elementary Norwegian-2. 100 Units.

Part two of the three-quarter beginning sequence, NORW10100, NORW10200 and NORW10300, continues the process of providing students with minimal proficiency in the four language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening - with a special emphasis on speaking. To achieve these goals, we undertake an overview of all major grammar topics and work to acquire a substantial vocabulary over the three-quarter sequence.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

NORW 10300. First-Year Norwegian III. 100 Units.

Part three of the three-quarter beginning sequence, NORW 10100, NORW 10200 and NORW 10300, concludes the process of providing students with minimal proficiency in the four language skills of speaking, reading, writing, and listening—with a special emphasis on speaking. To achieve these goals, we undertake an overview of all major grammar topics and work to acquire a substantial vocabulary over the three-quarter sequence.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Spring

NORW 10400. Intermediate Norwegian I: Introduction to Literature. 100 Units.

This course combines intensive review of all basic grammar with the acquisition of more advanced grammar concepts. While our main priority remains oral proficiency, we work to develop our reading and writing skills. We challenge our reading ability with more sophisticated examples of Norwegian prose and strengthen our writing through essay writing. The centerpiece of the course is the contemporary Norwegian novel *Naiv*. Super.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Spring

Prerequisite(s): NORW 10300 or consent of instructor

NORW 10500. Intermediate Norwegian II. 100 Units.

This course combines intensive review of all basic grammar with the acquisition of more advanced grammar concepts. Students undertake readings pertaining to culture and contemporary Norwegian life, including the contemporary novel, *L*, by Erlend Loe and excerpts from Thor Heyerdahl's *Kon Tiki*. Classes conducted in Norwegian.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Spring

NORW 24919. Nordic noir. 100 Units.

Described as a dark subset of the popular crime fiction genre, Scandinavian Crime or Nordic noir has come to command particular attention, not least because of its strong focus on setting, the Nordic landscape and nature. Beyond the exotic setting, Scandinavian crime fiction provides a window into the welfare state, offering an unsparing critique of the current social and political model. In addition, this genre often features female protagonists, who occupy positions of power. Still, while these elements explain the attraction to this fiction, there is something else. How do we explain the strange dissonance between the brutality of this crime fiction and the mild-mannered countries from which it derives? In this course, we will examine a selection of Scandinavian crime fiction including novels from Larsson, Nesbø, Holt, Horst, Mankell and Sjöwall/Wahlöö, as well as secondary readings.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

Equivalent Course(s): GRMN 24919

NORW 27000. Contemporary Norwegian Novel. 100 Units.

In this course, we will undertake the reading of nine contemporary Norwegian novels, dating from 1972 to the present. Obviously, this was a period of enormous social change, not only in Norway, but around the world, and these works take us from the beginning of the Women's Movement to the turn of the century. Particularly important for Norway were the lingering effects of the war and occupation, as well as the enormous changes wrought by the discovery of oil and the resulting prosperity.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

Equivalent Course(s): GRMN 27000

NORW 28100. Radical Truth of Henrik Ibsen. 100 Units.

In this course we will focus on what one modern Ibsen scholar has called the "radical truth" at the center of Ibsen's dramas, examining nine of Ibsen's prose plays in our own modern context. Do Ibsen's works continue to resonate with new generations of readers and viewers? Do we still see the "radical truth" of his plays?

Instructor(s): K. Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

Equivalent Course(s): GRMN 28100

NORW 28500. Comparative Fairy Tales. 100 Units.

How do we account for the allure of fairy tales? For some, fairy tales count as sacred tales meant to enchant rather than edify. For others, they are cautionary tales, replete with obvious moral lessons. For the purposes of the course, we will assume that these critics are correct in their contention that fairy tales contain essential underlying meanings. We will conduct our own readings of fairy tales from the German Brothers Grimm, the Norwegians, Asbjørnsen and Moe and the Dane, Hans Christian Andersen, relying on our own critical skills as well as selected secondary readings.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Winter

Equivalent Course(s): GRMN 28500, CMLT 21600, HUMA 28400

NORW 29700. Reading and Research Course in Norwegian. 100 Units.

Students must consult with the instructor by the eighth week of the preceding quarter to determine the subject of the course and the work to be done. Students are required to submit the College Reading and Research Course Form.

Instructor(s): Kimberly Kenny Terms Offered: Autumn, Winter, Spring

Prerequisite(s): Consent of instructor and director of undergraduate studies.

Note(s): Students must consult with the instructor by the eighth week of the preceding quarter to determine the subject of the course and the work to be done. Students are required to submit the College Reading and Research Course Form.



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Times was used instead of Trajan.

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