INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Students in the Scandinavian major select one of the following five concentrations: Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, Old Norse Studies, and Swedish. Each concentration allows students to explore the major while developing expertise within the language and literature of a Nordic language. Students receive further training in their major language skills by pursuing reading in original Scandinavian languages and through special add-on major units that allow students to work closely with a professor in their major language area.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

• Immerse yourself in Scandinavian language and culture through study abroad.
• Apply for a FLAS award to fund your language study.
• Visit the Nordic Studies Program to find resources and events to complement your coursework.
• Check out the robust collections and scholarly resources of Scandinavian Studies at the Doe Library and the department library.

INTERDISCIPLINARY OPTIONS

The Scandinavian department helps students pursue interdisciplinary interests through its own core courses and through double majors with other fields, such as environmental studies, history, drama, medieval literature, folklore, architecture, public policy, linguistics, international studies, peace studies, political science, film, and economics.

If you already have an intended major, consider adding Scandinavian as minor. It is not necessary to study a Scandinavian language for the minor; all upper division courses are taught in English with texts in translation and are easily accessible to students with general interests in Scandinavian culture.
### SCANDINAVIAN Bachelor of Arts

#### FIRST YEAR
- Meet with your major and college advisor to discuss your academic plans.
- Review major and college requirements.
- Enroll in L&S 1 and HUM 10 (Compass Courses).
- Review the major guidelines for study abroad.
- Get 11 mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect and L&S Mentors Program.
- Find study groups, tutoring, and academic support at the Student Learning Center.
- Explore the Berkeley Library.
- Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course.
- Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships.
- Explore the collection of Scandinavian scholarly resources in the department library and Doe Library.
- Attend the Calpalooza student activities fair.
- Find opportunities through the Public Service Center.
- Explore study, internship, and research abroad options in Scandinavia with Berkeley Study Abroad.

#### SECOND YEAR
- Complete the prerequisite lower division requirement in Scandinavian mythology and literature.
- Select a concentration and meet with the advisor to declare the major.
- Begin working on the lower division language requirement for your concentration.
- Sign up for the Scandinavian email list and start attending department events.
- Get to know professors and graduate student instructors during their office hours.
- Explore resources from the Nordic Studies Program.
- Continue exploring with a Sophomore Seminar, Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course.
- Assist faculty and graduate students in their research through URAP and SURF-SMART.
- Build your research skills in HUM W101 Research Bootcamp.
- Find Scandinavian events in the Bay Area through the Nordic Counsels General.
- Contribute to a community organization with an American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.
- Planning to study abroad in Scandinavia? Apply for the Lundberg Travel Grant.
- Experience life at another UC or college on a visitor and exchange program.
- Go on a service-learning trip with the Alternative Breaks Program.
- Study and intern in Washington D.C. with UCDC or Cal in the Capital.

#### THIRD YEAR
- Focus on upper division requirements in language, culture, and electives for your concentration.
- Review your degree progress with your major and college advisor.
- Ask your major advisor about the Scandinavian honors program.
- Consider becoming a Golden Bear Orientation Leader.
- Work with peers and graduate students in HUM 196: Mentored-Research and Discovery Groups.
- Join the Society for the Advancement of Scandinavian Study.
- Apply for a FLAS award to support your language study.
- Planning a senior thesis or project? Apply to the Haas Scholars Program or SURF.
- Curious about entrepreneurship? Enroll in HUM120: Entrepreneurship for All.
- Practice your language skills while helping others learn in the SLC Language Exchange Program.
- Get support for your thesis project in the Townsend Honors Thesis Workshop.
- Connect with alumni groups and build your network as you prepare to graduate.

#### FOURTH YEAR
- Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate.
- Complete any "bucket list" courses.
- Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
- Complement your major with a certificate, course thread, or summer minor.
- Learn about career fields and conduct informational interviews with people in those fields.
- Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors.
- Attend career and graduate school fairs.
- Complete the major guidelines for your concentration.
- Hone your leadership skills with the Peter E. Haas Public Service Leaders program.
- Explore service opportunities after graduation, such as Peace Corps. Teach for America, or U.S. Department of State.
- Pursue post-grad projects with support from the American-Scandinavian Foundation.
- Utilize job search tools from the Career Center.
- Ask professors and graduate student instructors for recommendation letters.
- Attend Employer Info Sessions and On-Campus Recruiting.
- Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other opportunities.

#### WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?
- Jobs and Employers:
  - Assoc. Corporate Counsel, Google
  - Data Control Operations, Stanford
  - Indep. Norwegian Lang. Translator
  - Photographer, Iceland Magazine
  - Teacher, Hayward High School
- Graduate Programs:
  - English, PhD
  - Law, JD
  - Linguistics, PhD
  - Medieval Icelandic Studies, Masters
  - Scandinavian Studies, Masters
  - Urban and Regional Planning, Masters

#### Updates Last:
- 08/31/2020

Examples gathered from recent Berkeley graduates.