Requirements for Undergraduate Major in Scandinavian Languages & Finnish

General Information
The major consists of a minimum of 30-31 credits in 3xxx, 4xxx (beyond 4004), and 5xxx courses, with concentration in Danish, Finnish, Norwegian, or Swedish. Students are introduced to the languages and literatures of the Scandinavian countries, with strong emphasis on the cultural, social and historical background. All courses in the major must be taken A/F and completed with a grade of C- or better. At least two courses must be taken here in the Scandinavian Program of the University of Minnesota. The Department recommends study abroad in one of the countries for at least six months for cultural familiarity and language fluency.

The major program must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

Major Requirements

Minimum credits

- Third-year language:
  - Danish, Norwegian & Swedish: Scan 3011 OR
  - Finnish concentration: Fin 3011 & 3012

- GSD 3451W, Major Project Seminar or GSD 3451V (Honors) (fall semester only) 3

- 3 courses selected from the following:
  - Scan 3501, Scandinavian Culture Past & Present
  - Scan 3502, Scandinavian Myths
  - Scan 3503, Scandinavian Folklore
  - Scan 3504, The Immigrant Experience
  - Scan 3601, Great Literary Works of Scandinavia

- 5 (4 for Finnish concentration) additional 3xxx-, 4xxx-, or 5xxx-level courses in Scandinavian literature and culture; 1 elective may be taken in an appropriate social science course in consultation with the Director of Undergraduate Studies. 15 (12)

Total: 31 (30)

Substantial work in the student’s language of concentration must be done in conjunction with two of the Scandinavian literature or culture courses (SCAN designator), as directed by the instructor or by the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

TO THE STUDENT: The above information describes requirements of the Scandinavian Program only. The College of Liberal Arts also has requirements which must be met in order to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree. Students not in CLA have the option of receiving a Scandinavian Languages & Finnish major without completing all the requirements for a B.A. degree.