

The Nordic Lands: Politics, Culture, and Society

The Nordic lands have always followed something of a separate path from the rest of Europe, but aside from a few general reference points—the Vikings, Abba, and the much-vaunted but largely misunderstood "Nordic model" welfare state—much of what makes the Nordic lands what they are and what holds them together remain mostly unknown. This course will cover all of the Nordic lands—Finland, Norway, Sweden, Iceland, Denmark, the Faroe Islands, and Greenland—exploring all the things that link them together (including an abundance of happiness) and all the things that make each country its own unique thing.

Week One

Finland

Week Two

Sweden

Week Three

Norway

Week Four

Iceland

Week Five

Denmark

Week Six

The Faroe Islands, Greenland, and the politics of ice