

DEGREE PROFILE OF

BA-nám í føroyskum máli og bókmentum

Bachelor of Arts in Faroese Language and Literature

TYPE OF DEGREE & LENGTH	Three-year programme in Faroese Language and Literature (180 ECTS)
Institution(s)	Fróðskaparsetur Føroya, Føroyamálsdeildin
	University of the Faroe Islands, Faculty of Faroese Language and Literature
ACCREDITATION	Mentamálaráðið (UMMR)
ORGANISATION(S)	Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Culture.
PERIOD OF REFERENCE	From September 2015.
CYCLE /LEVEL	BA, '1st Cycle', in accordance with the QF – EHEA and EQF – LLL level 6.

A PURPOSE To provide students with the foundation they will need in order to understand and work analytically with Faroese language and literature as a means of communication, semiotic system and cultural bearer.

В	CHARACTERISTICS	
1	DISCIPLINE(S) / SUBJECT	The subject area is the history and theory of Faroese language and literature with
	AREA(S)	regard to the main subject areas language, literature, folkloristics, and
		communication, divided into 90 ECTS of required courses and 90 ECTS of electives,
		including a BA thesis equivalent to 20 ECTS. The required courses are approximately
		equally divided between language and literature, in addition to theory of science and
		communication. The required courses are: Old Norse, Literary History I and II, Literary
		Analysis I and II, Literary Theory, Theory of Science, Phonetics and Morphology,
		Communication and Media, Language History, Nordic Languages, Syntax and
		Semantics.
2	GENERAL / SPECIALIST	Focus is on a general knowledge about Faroese language and literature dating from
	FOCUS	the 15 th century to our time, in addition to acquiring a foundation in methodology and
		theory, as well as learning how to critically apply analytical concepts in linguistics and
		literature.
3	ORIENTATION	The degree programme is research based and is aimed at activities in the media and
		culture sectors requiring a high level of linguistic competence.
4	DISTINCTIVE FEATURES	A distinctive feature of this degree programme is that it approaches language and
		literature in a Nordic context, while also examining their preconditions in European
		history, philosophy and culture. Students are advised, but not required, to take
		advantage of the opportunities for exchanges with other Nordic universities. Students
		may choose to focus mainly on literature or linguistics.

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D	EDUCATION STYLE	
1	LEARNING & TEACHING	Class-based teaching with lectures and student presentations, written assignments,
	APPROACHES	group assignments, exercises and fieldwork. Most of the 6 th semester is allocated to the BA dissertation with supervision.
2	ASSESSMENT METHODS	Oral and written examinations, open or set take-home assignments, as well as
		combinations of a written or oral examination and take-home assignment.

Е	PROGRAMME COMPETENCES
1	GENERIC
	Academic method: ability to apply an organised, critical, and reflective scientific work method on a defined topic; use academic concepts, formulate research statements, gather and analyse materials, present conclusions and results. Faroese language skills: ability to write and speak in a manner consistent with the communication situation, i.e. informally, formally, academically. Independent work: ability to manage time and to work independently within a defined subject.
	Theory in practice. Ability to apply knowledge to practice.
2	SUBJECT SPECIFIC
	Faroese Literature: Ability to explain Faroese fiction and non-fiction literature in the context of history and present day. Literary Analysis: Ability to describe and analyse texts in fiction and non-fiction literature as well as the media using relevant concepts and language; to describe the main genres in oral and written literature, periods in the history of art and ideology, and the differences between oral and written literature Theory: Ability to understand and apply theories and methods in linguistics and literature. Knowledge of the interplay between written literature and social development Faroese Language skills: ability to understand the foundations of the Faroese language in history and contemporary society. Philology: ability to present knowledge and understanding of the following linguistic areas: Old Norse, language history, the Faroese phonetic system, morphology and syntax. Ability to obtain materials from different sources (electronic, oral and written) and to critically discuss them in context. Academic skills: Ability to demonstrate knowledge of the development of Faroese language and literary research and ability to use appropriate materials in certain areas. Communication skills: Ability to orally present a topic in an appropriate language suited to the context.

F COMPLETE LIST OF PROGRAMME LEARNING OUTCOMES

On completion of the programme the student is able to:

- outline the history of Faroese language and literature from around 1400 AD onwards comparing it with older levels of Nordic language development and the main trends in Nordic language and literary history.
- describe the main differences of the Nordic languages.
- analyse and organise linguistic data.
- communicate knowledge about literature and language based on the newest research in the area.
- apply theories and methods in new areas at beginner's level.
- initiate and participate in discussions critically about quality in language, literature and other texts.

- identify and explain the characteristics of oral and written fiction genres, non-fiction texts and texts in mass media and digital media.
- identify and explain different literary and linguistic levels of style.
- identify and explain contemporary Faroese dialects and socially conditioned language variations.
- explain the research history of Faroese language and literature.