



SO/HS/WGS 304

# SOCIAL HEALTH POLICY IN SCANDINAVIA

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May/June 2020

OFFERED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIOLOGY, HEALTH SCIENCE,  
AND WOMEN & GENDER STUDIES

## TRIP LOGISTICS

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**COURSE NUMBER:**

SO/HS/WGS 304

**CREDITS:**

3 credits; Sociology elective credit and Global Perspectives GE credit

**PRE-REQUISITES:**

SO 120: Intro to Sociology/ SO 196H: Intro to Sociology

**COST:**

\$4,200 - includes airfare, housing, transportation, group activity admissions, & meals



## HAPPIEST PLACE ON EARTH

Scandinavia is consistently ranked one of the “happiest” regions on earth, boasting a notable level of social and economic equality. As social welfare states, Scandinavian societies are built upon principles and policies that are markedly different from those in the United States. In this course, students will analyze Scandinavian countries, in comparison to the United States, by incorporating theories and research on social systems to frame discussions of social equality. Students will also engage with the challenges that face the Scandinavian welfare states by looking at how ‘equality of opportunity’ and ‘equality of outcome’ is shaped in relation to the labor market, education, health, gender, and culture. The course includes travel to Sweden and Norway in May and June 2020. We will visit cultural heritage sites (such as a tour of the Royal Palace and Nobel Museum in Stockholm, and Viking Ship Museum in Oslo), visit officials in leading social, political, and educational institutions (e.g. Peace Research Institute of Oslo, Department of Social Services), and will conclude with a short debriefing cruise up the breathtaking Norwegian Fjords.



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## PAYMENT INFORMATION

### Off Campus Programs Travel Grant

Students will be eligible to apply for a \$500 need-based travel grant. Information communicated upon acceptance to the program.

### Early Bird Special

The EBS is an incentive program that gives students a \$100 credit *if* they: make ALL payments in time according to the payment plan; turn in all required paperwork in accordance with Off-Campus Programs deadlines; and meet the Health Center’s deadlines for fulfilling the Travel Clinic requirement.

### Payment Plan

- \$500 non-refundable deposit within 2 days of acceptance
- 5 payments of \$640 due on the 15th of May, June, July, August, and September.
- Final payment of \$500 due October 15th



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## OFF CAMPUS PROGRAMS CONTACT

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