



# The Norwegian Study Centre in Great Britain The *York*Course

# YorkCourse in English

The NSC's *YorkCourse*: 1 or 2 semesters in York (up to 60 study points). A chance to:

- acquire better English skills (written and spoken) and a lived familiarity with British culture and society
- deepen and expand your knowledge and understanding of the language, literature and cultures of the English-speaking world
- At the moment online, but we assume we will be back to face-to-face in the autumn

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I will never regret that I made this choice, both academically and as a chance to explore a new country and culture

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Camilla Irene, Spring 2012

# The *YorkCourse* is offered on two levels:

- For 200-level /1st cycle/undergraduate students (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> year)
- For 300-level/2.cycle/graduate students
- Distinct official diplomas are issued from the University of York for these different levels
- The levels are taught together, but the MA level requires more reading and research
- <https://www.york.ac.uk/nsc/>

# Why York University?

- The University of York is consistently ranked as one of the top universities in Britain
- It gets particularly high scores for its quality of teaching
- Excellent support services (e.g. library)
- Lively student life



# Why the NSC?

- ❑ No fees - for anyone
- ❑ Highly qualified and enthusiastic lecturers
- ❑ Strong focus on writing - on learning how to write English academically
- ❑ Small programme - easy to get to know fellow students and lecturers, and to get help
- ❑ We know where you come from! An experience of British academic life taught by lecturers who are used to teaching Norwegian students

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We wrote several assessed exercises or essays with detailed feedback from our tutors, which allowed us to go more in-depth with our chosen topics as well as practice our English academic writing skills

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Karoline, Spring 2012

# Financial viability and accommodation

- Acceptance on the course gives the right to support from the Norwegian State Loan Fund
- It is possible to live (a bit) more cheaply in the UK than in Norway
- We can help you with arranging accommodation (Currently about 110 £/week upwards)
  - A house/flat shared with other students
  - With an English family
  - A limited number of places in on-campus accommodation



# Why the city of York?

- One of the most beautiful cities in Britain
- Feels like a small town - but with a lot of big city amenities
- A rail hub: quick and easy to get to most places in Great Britain



# What can you study?

- British Cultural Studies
- English Language & Linguistics
- English Literature

The first two are taught by staff in the NSC and the latter is taught by staff from the Department of English and Related Literature.

Each module is worth 10 Norwegian study points.





# The *York*Course with School Experience

- For students in teacher-training (MAGLU) programmes, or in-service teachers: you will complete all three course modules, in Linguistics, Culture, and Literature, on the undergraduate level, but also complete up to 10 days of school observation and interaction with pupils and teachers in our two partner schools
  - Both primary schools (ages 4-11)
    - Level of English taught corresponds to higher age levels in Norway
    - Observing another school system and other approaches to teaching is relevant for teachers across levels
- Participation will be fully documented by the NSC - you can apply for accreditation of this as 'teaching practice' in your Norwegian home institution. (This is up to the individual institution in Norway - if you want this, check with your institution in advance)
- One of your module essays (3500-5000 words) in either Linguistics or Culture will be on an education/didactics-related subject

# How to apply

- Go to our website. A detailed application guide is available here:  
<https://www.york.ac.uk/nsc/yorkcourse/applying/>
- For any questions about application, please email [nsc-director@york.ac.uk](mailto:nsc-director@york.ac.uk)

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**We hope to see you in YORK soon!**