History 352-001
Scandinavian Family, Local and Social History/Fall 2010
(Danish, Norwegian, Swedish/Finnish, Icelandic)
385 CB, Tues., 1:35-3:50pm
Instructor G. Haslam, 2107 JFSB; email: haslam1@aol.com
Consultations by appointment

The OBJECT of History 352 is to help students learn the cultural and social history of the Scandinavian countries; and understand at an intermediate to advanced level the contents of major record types and sources used for tracing ancestral families and how such sources can be used.

REQUIRED READING MATERIALS

Gerald M. Haslam, comp., “Scandinavian Sources” (packet)

Carl-Erik Johansson, comp., “Scandinavian Paleography” (packet)

***It is essential you buy a Scandinavian-English dictionary for the language(s) of interest.

Per Clemenson, YOUR SWEDISH ROOTS: A STEP BY STEP HANDBOOK (Ancestry, 2004)

Ann Umess Gesme, BETWEEN ROCKS AND HARD PLACES: TRADITIONS, CUSTOMS AND CONDITIONS IN NORWAY DURING THE 1800s, EMIGRATION FROM NORWAY, THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY IN AMERICA (Gesme Enterprises, 1993)

EXAMS

Their will be two exams, a midterm and a final. Exams are comprehensive, based on readings and lectures; consisting of brief essay questions and identifications. In grading, I'll look for informed brevity and exposition, inclusion of applicable dates and understanding of key methodologies. The exams will receive a letter grade and each will count for 25 percent of the course grade, ergo: both exams will constitute 50 percent of the grade for the course.

SEMESTER PROJECT/due last day of class

Research one or more of your Scandinavian ancestral families. Compile research results onto a family group on PAF 5.2 or similar program, and document same individual by individual. Your goal will be to document every vital date (birth/chr/marriage/death/bur) for EVERY person on the sheet; and search church recs., census, probates and land/copyholds for the family of interest. The bulk of your research must be done in Salt Lake City at the Family History Library/FHL (directly west of Temple Square; hours
Mon. 8am-5pm, Tues.-Sat. 8am-9pm) as only one in approx. seven of available Scandinavian microfilms are here on campus. You can also do some of the work using online databases, for which you must usually pay a fee. Work 60 or more hours and then compile and submit the following “research pile”:

1) research report, 10-12pp., double-spaced, in which you report what materials you started with, your research on each individual in great detail including human-interest tidbits and applicable backgrounding and social history insights; specific results of the searches and your future research agenda;

2) pedigree

3) documented group sheet(s)

4) research logs

5) extracts attached to logs

This project will constitute the other 50 percent of your grade. The average of exams and project grades will constitute the final course grade.

CALENDAR

8/31 Introduction and historical backgrounding

9/7 FamilySearch.org; overview of databases and online research tools; Scandinavian archives

9/14 Source citation and group sheet documentation; Research notes; Linkages

9/21 Emigration/Immigration sources and methods; Reference and finding aids including Norwegian farm histories

9/28 Lutheran church recs., Latin feast dates and calendars

10/5 **MIDTERM; bring BYU bluebook and dark-ink pen

10/12 Return and review exam; Census/tax recs.; Probates

10/19 Military records (incl. Danish military levying rolls); Copyhold and other land records

10/26 Court records

11/2 Practicum; no class; students make appointments with instructor to plan and execute research
11/9 Practicum

11/16 Practicum

11/23 Friday classes

11/30 Practicum

12/7 WE MEET IN 385 CB FOR FINAL EXAM REVIEW; *Research project due

12/16 ***Thurs., FINAL EXAM in 385 CB, 2:30-5:30pm; bring BYU bluebook and dark-ink pen. Exams will be graded and available in the History Dept. Office by Monday at 1pm.
# Workshop Schedule

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Subject: RootsMagic Update
Date: Mon, Aug 30, 2010 10:03 am

As you're aware, RootsMagic Essentials genealogy software is available for our BYU students, and others, or no cost. It does not, however, have all of the features of the full version.

RootsMagic is offering our BYU family history students the ability to download the full version of RootsMagic version 4 for $10.00.

Students should go to

http://rootsmagic.com/student

and then enter the Group Code BYU2010

(RootsMagic Academic Pricing).

Or, students can order the RootsMagic CD for $10, plus $5.00 shipping.

Or, students can order the RootsMagic CD and the guidebook for $20.00, plus $5.00 shipping.

Please make sure your students know this is a special academic discount only for our BYU family history students. They should not share this information with others, family members, ward members, etc. These discounts are not available to the general public.

See ([www.rootsmagic.com](http://www.rootsmagic.com)) for more details regarding RootsMagic.

Thank you,

Kip Sperry

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“Becoming an Excellent Genealogist”

Family History Conference
October 22-23, 2010

Downtown Radisson Hotel
215 West South Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah

Registration includes a printed syllabus, two full days of conference classes, and vendor booth access. In addition, the registration price includes an elegant, plated luncheon both days, and time for networking.

For additional information and to register, go to:
www.icapgen.org

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FAMILY SEARCH
Job Description and Application
The Center for Family History and Genealogy

CFHG Research Assistant

Responsibilities:
- Be very familiar with the New FamilySearch, the programs in the old FamilySearch especially the Family History Library Catalog, internet family history research (including Ancestry, Footnote.com, Google searches), RootsMagic, and FamilySearch Indexing, as well as software programs such as Excel and Access.
- Under the direction of faculty, engaged in various family history research projects.
- Help students who use Center computers, which may involve helping them with various family history computer programs and doing internet research.
- Ensure smooth running of the Center by answering the phone, answering emails to the Center, scheduling meetings, answering questions of those who come to the office, and so forth.
- Ensure that the Center’s website is up to date
- Under the supervision of the Center’s director, engage in writing and research projects related to various of the Center’s activities.

Qualifications: Preference is given to family history majors and minors.

Supervision: You will be responsible Dr. Kathryn Daynes (2-3683, 2123 JFSB).

Please return application by Tuesday, August 31, 2010
Name ______________________________ Local Phone ____________________

Address ______________________________ Email ______________________

Year in School ____________________ Major/Minor ______________________

Projected graduation date __________________________________________

What family history classes have you taken?

In what regions of the world have you conducted family history research (e.g., England, United States, Spain)?

List or briefly describe any other relevant jobs or experiences.

Please rate your skill level for the following items:
(1 means you don't have a clue, 5 means you could teach it with your eyes closed)

- New FamilySearch 1 2 3 4 5
- Ancestral File 1 2 3 4 5
- IG1 1 2 3 4 5
- FHLC 1 2 3 4 5
- FamilySearch Indexing 1 2 3 4 5
- www.familysearch.org 1 2 3 4 5
- FamilySearch Record Search 1 2 3 4 5
- FamilySearch Labs 1 2 3 4 5
- Research Wiki 1 2 3 4 5
- RootsMagic 1 2 3 4 5
- Ancestry 1 2 3 4 5
- Footnote.com 1 2 3 4 5
- Internet Research 1 2 3 4 5
- Word 1 2 3 4 5
- Excel 1 2 3 4 5
- Access 1 2 3 4 5
- PowerPoint 1 2 3 4 5
- Adobe Professional 1 2 3 4 5
In addition to the programs listed above, what other software programs are you familiar with? How easily do you learn new computer programs? How much do you know about computers, in general?

The research assistant will interact with the general public, faculty, and students. What are your strengths and weaknesses in dealing with people?

In a short paragraph, tell us why we should hire you.
**Name**

**Fall Semester**

Schedule (Please block out any hours you are NOT able to work)

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