

**Twin Cities Campus****Finnish Minor**

German, Nordic, Slavic &amp; Dutch

**College of Liberal Arts**

- Program Type: Undergraduate minor related to major
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2020
- Required credits in this minor: 15 to 35

Finland is the land of the Kalevala, the Finnish national epic that has influenced literature ranging from Longfellow's The Song of Hiawatha to Tolkiens The Lord of the Rings. Finland is also home to many world-famous heavy metal bands, the technological giant Nokia, and is a world leader in the fields of education, design, forestry, bio-energy, and the arts.

The Finnish minor provides a solid foundation in the Finnish language and introduces students to the cultures of the Nordic countries, including the indigenous peoples of the High North. Minors typically pursue careers in international business, telecommunications, technology, and forest management.

**Program Delivery**

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

**Admission Requirements**For information about University of Minnesota admission requirements, visit the [Office of Admissions website](#).**Required prerequisites****Beginning and Intermediate Finnish**

These courses, or equivalent, must be taken in sequential order. In select cases, students with advanced proficiency may be exempt from taking some or all of these courses. See the departmental advisor for more information.

Take 0 - 4 course(s) totaling 0 - 20 credit(s) from the following:

- [FIN 1001](#) - Beginning Finnish I (5.0 cr)
- [FIN 1002](#) - Beginning Finnish II (5.0 cr)
- [FIN 1003](#) - Intermediate Finnish I (5.0 cr)
- [FIN 1004](#) - Intermediate Finnish II (5.0 cr)

**Minor Requirements**

Students are required to take 4 semester(s) of Finnish.

At least 3 upper-division credits in the minor must be taken at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities campus. In the Finnish minor, this does not include learning abroad courses taken for resident credit.

Students with a German, Scandinavian, Dutch major may elect a minor in Finnish, but no courses may count for both the major and the minor.

**Advanced Finnish**

Take exactly 2 course(s) totaling exactly 6 credit(s) from the following:

- [FIN 3011](#) - Advanced Finnish (3.0 cr)
- [FIN 3012](#) - Advanced Finnish (3.0 cr)

**Electives**

Take 3 or more course(s) totaling 9 or more credit(s) from the following:

- [SCAN 3501W](#) - Scandinavian Culture Past and Present [GP, WI] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3502](#) - Scandinavian Myths [LITR, GP] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3503](#) - Scandinavian Folklore [LITR, GP] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3504](#) - Emigration, Immigration, Integration: The Nordic Experience [HIS, GP] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3505](#) - Scandinavian Fiction From 1890 to Present [LITR] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3601](#) (*Inactive*) [LITR] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3602](#) - The Literary Fairy Tale in Scandinavia [LITR] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3604W](#) - Living Pictures: An Introduction to Nordic Cinema [AH, WI] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3613](#) - Children's Literature in Scandinavia [LITR] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3670](#) - Topics in Scandinavian Studies (3.0 cr)

- [SCAN 5502](#) - The Icelandic Saga (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 5670](#) - Topics in Scandinavian Studies (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 5701](#) - Old Norse Language and Literature (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 5703](#) (*Inactive*) (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3011W](#) - Readings in Scandinavian Languages [WI] (4.0 cr)  
*or* [SCAN 4011](#) - Readings in Scandinavian Languages (2.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3605](#) - The Scandinavian Short Story [LITR] (3.0 cr)  
*or* [SCAN 5605](#) - The Scandinavian Short Story [LITR] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3614](#) - Blood on Snow: Scandinavian Thrillers in Fiction and Film [LITR, GP] (3.0 cr)  
*or* [SCAN 5614](#) - Blood on Snow: Scandinavian Thrillers in Fiction and Film (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3617](#) - Scandinavian Gothic: Horror and the Uncanny in Nordic Literature and Media [AH, GP] (3.0 cr)  
*or* [SCAN 5617](#) - Scandinavian Gothic: Horror and the Uncanny in Nordic Literature and Media [AH, GP] (3.0 cr)
- [SCAN 3634](#) - Scandinavian Women Writers [LITR, GP] (3.0 cr)  
*or* [SCAN 5634](#) - Scandinavian Women Writers [GP, LITR] (3.0 cr)

**•Directed Study**

Take 0 - 1 course(s) from the following:

- [SCAN 3993](#) - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)
- [SCAN 5993](#) - Directed Studies (1.0 - 4.0 cr)