### ARCTIC POLITICS AND SOCIOLOGY

(ARKTISK POLITIK OG SOCIOLOGI)

FALL 2024 (10 ECTS)

**EDUCATION** 

M:ASTER IN ARCTIC SOCIAL SCIENCE (KANDIDATUDDANNELSEN I ARKTISK SAMFUNDSVIDENSKAB)

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**WEEKS** Week 37-40, 43-48

TEACHING LANGUAGE

English (exam paper can be written in Danish, if supervisor concurs)

COURSE PURPOSE The aim is to give the student in-depth knowledge of politics and social conditions in the Arctic. The course will focus on differences and similarities in the Arctic countries and regions. Emphasis is placed on conceptual analysis in relation to the elucidation of political sociology based in relation to the Arctic.

### LEARNING OUTCOMES

When the student has completed the course, it is expected of the student: To have KNOWLEDGE of:

- o The Arctic as a region, its countries and regions and indigenous peoples
- o Arctic governance in relation to the Arctic Council and other international organizations that are important to the Arctic
- o Challenges and opportunities in relation to the population of the Arctic
- To possess SKILLS that enable the student to:
- o Reflect and evaluate trends, challenges and opportunities in an Arctic context
- To possess COMPETENCES to:
- o Analyze various conditions in the Arctic both politically and sociologically

#### EXAMINATION

Individual free assignment, max. 15 pages (excl. Cover, table of contents, bibliography and/or appendices). A normal page is defined as 2400 characters (including spaces and characters). Censorship: Internal grading: GGS scale. The exam paper can be written in English or Danish

#### **ESSENTIAL** READING

Benedikte Brincker (ed.) (2019). Introduction to Political Sociology. 2nd edition, Copenhagen: Hans Reitzels Forlag, 2019 (text-book should be bought in advance of the course; the rest of the readings are available via Lectio)

# COMPLEMETARY

Additional articles/chaper will be updated and uploaded by each lecturer to Lectio for each **READINGS** lecture in due time

## **COURSE SCHEDULE (FALL 2024)**

Date	Subject	Essential reading	Lecturer
Week 37	1: Introduction	Brincker: pp.9-16 Durfee & Johnstone 2019	RLN + GH/ML
Week 38	2: Democracy and the State – and avenues for Greenland?	Brincker: chap. 2, 8 Kleist 2016 Østergaard et al. 2023	RLN
Week 39	4: Civil societies & local communities	Brincker, chap.: 10, 11 Hovgaard& Bærenholdt (Eds.). 2022/2024	GH
Week 40	5: Governance and Arctic Council	Brincker, chap.: 15	RLN
Week 43	6: War and Hybrid Threats	Brincker, chap.: 13	ML
Week 44	7: Gender	Brincker, chap. 7	ML
Week 45	8: Arctic regions and societies	TBD	ML
Week 46	9: Globalization	Brincker, chap.: 17	GH
Week 47	3: Market and State	Brincker, chap.: 1, 3, 4	GH
Week 48	10: Nationalism	Brincker, chap.: 12	Guest lecturer: Benedikte Brincker
Ultimo 2024 - primo 2025	Paper supervision		RLN, GH, ML

NB: No classes in week 41-42