

## Readings

[Key: @ – available online, \* – compendium] **Jeg dobbeltsjekker om disse kodene er riktige, men får først gjort det i kveld (mandag 27/3).**

### [1] Uke 34 – Norden, Scandinavia, "Sonderweg", "model" – an introduction to the course (Mjøset)

Mjøset, Lars (2016), "The Nordic Route to Development", Ch. 29 in Erik S. Reinert, Jayati Ghosh & Rainer Kattel (red.), *Handbook of Alternative Theories of Economic Development*. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar 2016, 533-569. [Manuscript will be made available on Fronter]  
\* Kuhnle, Stein (2009). "The Nordic Model: Ambiguous, but Useful Concept" in Herbert Obinger, Elmar Rieger (Hg.) *Wohlfahrtsstaatlichkeit in entwickelten Demokratien: Herausforderungen, Reformen und Perspektiven*, Frankfurt/New York: Campus Verlag, 2009: 275-294. [19 pages]

### [2] Uke 35 – Comparative European demography: Fertility woes and family changes I (Lyngstad)

@ Cooke, L.P. et al 2013. "Labor and Love: Wives' Employment and Divorce Risk in its Socio-Political Context", *Social Politics*, 20:4, 482-509. [UB abonnerer på denne, så den kan gjøres "available online"]

@ Hoem, J.M. 2005. "Why does Sweden have such high fertility?", *Demographic Research* 13(22): 559-572. (13p)

@ Kiernan K. 2004. "Unmarried cohabitation and parenthood in Europe", *Law & Policy* 26(1):33-55. (22p)

@ Lutz et al. 2003. "Europe's population at a turning point", *Science* 299:1991-1992 (2p)

@ McDonald, P. (2006). "Low Fertility and the State: The Efficacy of Policy." *Population and Development Review*, 32(3), 485-510. (25p)

@ Rindfuss, R.R. et al. 2011. "Child-Care Availability and Fertility in Norway" 36(4): 725-748. (23p)

@ Sobotka T. 2010. "Shifting Parenthood to Advanced Reproductive Ages: Trends, Causes and Consequences" in Tremmel, J. (Ed.) *A Young Generation Under Pressure?*. Berlin-Heidelberg: Springer Verlag. (25p)

@ Vaupel, J. W., & Kistowski, K. G. (2008). "Living longer in an ageing Europe: a challenge for individuals and societies." *European View*, 7(2), 255-263. (8p)

[Uke 36 – ikke mulig å ha undervisning på SV-fak onsdag 6.9 og ut uka.]

### [3] Uke 37 – Comparative European demography: Fertility woes and family changes II (See readings above.)

### [4] Uke 38 – Historical background and overview of the Nordic models of socio-economic development (Mjøset)

\* Mjøset, Lars (2003). "Norden in the European state system. A presentation of Einar Maseng's forgotten analysis", in Ralf Eriksson, Markus Jäntti & Johan Willner, editors, *Att förstå och förändra världen: En festschrift för Jan Otto Andersson*, Åbo Akademis Förlag, Turku 2003, pp. 161-206. [46 pages]

[5] Uke 39 – **Welfare state typologies (Mjøset)**

\* Esping-Andersen, Gøsta (1990), “De-commodification in social policy”, Ch 2 (pp. 35-54) in Esping-Andersen, *The Three Worlds of Welfare Capitalism*, Cambridge: Polity. [20 pages]

@ Kangas, Olli, Urban Lundberg and Niels Ploug (2010). ”Three Routes to Pension Reform: Politics and Institutions in Reforming Pensions in Denmark, Finland and Sweden”, *Social Policy & Administration*, 44:3, 265–284. [19 p]

@ Peng Ito and Joseph Wong (2010). “East Asia”, in F. G. Castles, et. al., editors, *The Oxford Handbook of the Welfare State*. Oxford: Oxford University press 2010, s. 656-670. [14 pages]

[Uke 40 – høstferie]

[6] Uke 41 – **Welfare states and gender segregation (Birkelund)**

@ Mandel, H. and Shalev, M. (2009). “How Welfare States Shape the Gender Pay Gap: A Theoretical and Comparative Analysis”, *Social Forces*, 87, 1873-1911. (38 pages)

\* Gøsta Esping-Andersen: *Social Foundations of Postindustrial Economies*. Oxford University Press 1999, pp. 47-72. [25 pages]

[7] Uke 42 – **Family, Work and Gender Equality: Politicising Parenthood in Scandinavia (Ellingsæter)**

@ Ellingsæter, A. L. (2012) “Ideational struggles over symmetrical parenthood: the Norwegian daddy quota”, *Journal of Social Policy* 41: 695-714 [20 pages].

\* Ellingsæter, A.L. (2012) "Nordic politicization of parenthood: unfolding hybridization?" In: M .Richer & S. Andresen (eds) *The Politicization of Parenthood*. Berlin: Springer, 39-53

@ Ellingsæter, A.L. (2014) Nordic Earner-Carer Models - Why Stability and Instability? *Journal of Social Policy*, 43(3): 555-574. [19 pages].

@ Lister, R. (2009) “A Nordic Nirvana? Gender, Citizenship, and Social Justice in the Nordic Welfare States”, *Social Politics* 16(2): 242-278 [37 pages].

[8] Uke 43 – **Immigration and the Nordic welfare state. Citizenship policies in Scandinavia (Führer)**

\* Brochmann, Grete and Knut Kjeldstadli 2008. *A history of immigration. The case of Norway 900-2000*. Oslo: Universitetsforlaget. pp 201-212, 223- 235 and pp 267-296 [23+29 pages] **Check that this one is in the compendium.**

\* Hagelund, Anniken and G. Brochmann 2009. “From rights to duties? Welfare and citizenship for immigrants and refugees in Scandinavia”. In Patrick Baert, Sokratis Koniordos, Giovanna Procacci and Carlo Ruzza (eds.) *Conflict, Citizenship and Civil Society*. London/New York: Routledge. pp 141-161 [20 pages]

@ Brochmann, Grete and I. Seland 2010. “Citizenship Policies and Ideas of Nationhood in Scandinavia”. *Citizenship Studies*, vol 14, no 4. Pp 429-445 [16 pages]

[9] Uke 44 – **Educational systems in the Nordic area (Mjøset)**

@ Wiborg , Susanne 2004. “Education and Social Integration: a comparative study of the comprehensive school system in Scandinavia.” *London Review of Education*, Vol. 2, No. 2, July 2004, 83-93. [10 p]

@ Volckmar, Nina and Susanne Wiborg, 2014. A Social Democratic Response to Market-Led Education Policies: Concession or Rejection? 117-131 U. Blossing et al. (eds.), *The Nordic Education Model: ‘A School for All’ Encounters Neo-Liberal Policy*, Policy Implications of Research in Education 1, Dordrecht: Springer Science/Business Media. DOI 10.1007/978-94-007-7125-3\_7 [14 p]

@ Sahlberg, Pasi (2007). "Educational policies for raising student learning: the Finnish approach", *Journal of Education Policy*, 22:2, March 2007, p. 147-171. [24 p.]

[10] Uke 45 – Nov ?. **Equality and power in working life (Hagen)**

@ Espen Løken, Torgeir Aarvaag Stokke and Kristine Nergaard (2013) *Labour Relations in Norway*. Oslo: Fafo report 2013-09 [62 pages]

<http://www.fafo.no/~fafo/images/pub/2013/20299.pdf>

\* Engelstad, Fredrik (2004), "Democracy at work? Does Democracy in Working Life Make Sense in the 21st Century?" In F. Engelstad and Ø.Østerud, eds., *Power and Democracy. Critical Interventions*. Aldershot: Ashgate (25 pages)

\* Gulbrandsen, Trygve and Ursula Hoffmann-Lange (2007), "Consensus or Polarization? Business and labor Elites in Germany and Norway", *Comparative Social Research*, 23:103-135. (33 pages)

[11] Uke 46 – **Socioeconomic integration among immigrants and their descendents – empirical patterns and potential implications (Hermansen)**

\* Fangen, Katrine and Ferdinand Andreas Mohn (2010) "Norway: The Pitfalls of Egalitarianism" in: Fangen, Katrine; Fossan, Kirsten and Mohn, Ferdinand Andreas (eds.) *Inclusion And Exclusion of Young Adult Migrants in Europe: Barriers and Bridges*. Surrey: Ashgate [35 pages]

@ Hermansen, Are Skeie (2013) "Occupational attainment among children of immigrants in Norway: Bottlenecks into employment – equal access to advantaged positions?" *European Sociological Review* 29 (3): 517-534. (18 pages)

@ Hermansen, Are Skeie (2016). "Moving Up or Falling Behind? Intergenerational Socioeconomic Transmission among Children of Immigrants in Norway." *European Sociological Review* 32 (5): 675-689. [15 pages]

@ Østby, Lars and Kristin Henriksen (2013) "Immigrants – what we know and don't know" [English version] *Samfunnsspeilet* 5/2013: 2-9. (9 pages)

@ Bratsberg, Bernt and Knut Røed (2016) "The Nordic welfare model in an open European labor market" *Nordic Economic Policy Review* 2/2015: 19-42. Open access:

<http://norden.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:901771/FULLTEXT02.pdf> (24 pages)

@ Mollerstrom, Johanna (2016) "Ethnic fractionalization and the demand for redistribution – Potential implications for the Nordic model" *Nordic Economic Policy Review* 2/2015: 219-238. Open access: <http://norden.diva-portal.org/smash/get/diva2:901771/FULLTEXT02.pdf> (20 pages)

@ Cappelen, C. & Midtbø, T. (2016). "Intra-EU Labour Migration and Support for the Norwegian Welfare State." *European Sociological Review* 32 (6): 691-703. [13 pages]

[12] Uke 47 – **Present challenges for the Nordic models (Mjøset).**

\* Lars Mjøset, "Nordic political economy after financial deregulation: Banking crises, economic experts, and the role of neoliberalism", *Comparative Social Research*, 28, 2011, 365-420. [55 p]

Lars Mjøset, "The Nordic models – historical dynamics and present challenges. An analysis with reference to international conditions and social movements" (37 pp), translation of a chapter published as Ch. 10 of Ivar Frønes & Lise Kjølørød, editors, *Det norske samfunnet*, 7th edition, volume 1, Oslo: Gyldendal 2016. [Manuscript will be made available on Fronter]

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# **SOS2603 - Nordic welfare society - contemporary perspectives**

## **Course content**

This course gives an introduction to the Nordic welfare state model focusing on work, family, immigration, labour relations, economic policies, pensions, schooling and gender equality. Theoretically, the course is informed by comparative welfare state research and contemporary debates on the sustainability of these welfare state models in the context of early 21st century challenges such as ageing, flows of immigrants and asylum seekers, financial internationalization and integration in the EU single market.

What are the historical roots of the Nordic states, and how did their political systems develop in the 20th century? What social conflict lines, alliances and compromises created the post-war context of highly organized civil societies (centralized labour unions and employers associations, strong organizations of farmers and fishermen), linked to the state in patterns of democratic corporatism.

How is work and family life reconciled in the setting of the Nordic welfare state? What policy reforms have been agreed on in order to respond to present challenges? Are the ambitions of gender equality and universalist welfare provisions sustainable in the future?

The course examines a wide range of policies (e.g. parental leave, daddy quotas, state-sponsored day care for children, working time regulations, integration measures, conditions applying to various types of immigrants, work life reforms, labour market regulations, economic regulations) and the outcomes of policies (e.g. fertility rates, fathers' participation in child care, the work/care balance of lone parents, stable economic development, integration and multiculturalism, membership in unions and organizations).

The course literature highlights the similarities and differences between the Nordic countries through analyses of comparative statistical data and national case studies, and by contrasting the Scandinavian experience with that of other European countries.

## **Learning outcome**

### **Knowledge**

- historically and theoretically based knowledge about the basic features of the Nordic welfare state model

- gender, family, integration and labour market perspectives

- learn to assess the implications of this societal model for gender relations, economic development and social integration.

### **Skills**

skills in using sociological concepts and theories in the analysis of cases within the Nordic welfare states

the capacity to relate such cases to specific institutions and processes by means of comparative analysis

discuss and write such analyses, following the basic approaches of social scientific inquiry.

**Competence**

awareness of the highly complex relationship between empirical research and moral reasoning in these lines of inquiry.