The Sagas FL335U
Taught in English
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Preliminary Syllabus
for
The Sagas
Fall Quarter 2010/2011

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Preliminary Outline:
Class Start: Sept. 27, 2010
1st week: Introductory lecture + film: The 13th Warrior
2nd week: Egil’s Saga
3rd week: The Saga of the People of Vatnsdal
4th week: The Saga of the People of Laxardal
5th week: Bolli Bollason’s Tale
Midterm test: October 27, 2010
6th week: The Saga of Hrafnkel Frey’s Godi
6-7th week: The Saga of the Confederates
7th week: Gisli Sursson’s Saga
8th week: The Saga of Gunnlaug Serpent-tongue
9th week: The Saga of Ref the Sly
10th week: The Vinland Sagas; the Saga of the Greenlanders; Eirik the Red’s Saga.
Final test: December 8, 2010
Paper due: November 24, 2010

Requirements:
1 paper, 8-10 pages
2 tests: mid and final
Grade: paper = 33 1/3%
Tests = 2x33 1/3%

Attendance: Please check the PSU policy on this matter.

Selected Supporting Materials:


Journals:
Scandinavian Studies
Scandinavica
Germanic Studies
Science
Scientific American
Journal of Medieval History
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Journal of Indo-European Studies

Further readings if available:
Adam of Bremen
Saxo Grammaticus
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