

Nordic Research Training Course
Immigrant Integration and Social Theory

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**For doctoral students in the social sciences,
organized by the association Nordic Migration Research (NMR),
at the Swedish School of Social Science, University of Helsinki, Finland.
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8 credits (ECTS)**

This doctoral course is focused on research about the integration of immigrants in the Nordic countries and how the societal processes related to immigration can be understood with the help of theories of integration and assimilation. The focus is on debates in Sociology, but the course is also suitable for advanced PhD-students in other social sciences. The students will be given a thorough insight in contemporary theoretical debates in the social sciences and will be given supervision by some of the leading researchers in this research area in the Nordic countries. The lecturers and teachers of the course include Dr Hassan Hosseini-Kaladjahi, Professor Peter Kivisto, Professor Peter Kraus, Professor Mikko Lagerspetz, Dr Tuomas Martikainen, Dr Garbi Schmidt, Dr Marko Valenta, Dr Kathleen Valtonen and Dr Östen Wahlbeck.

Practicalities: All participants have to be enrolled as research students at a university in one of the Nordic countries. The participants are chosen by the board of Nordic Migration Research (NMR) on academic merits. The course is limited to 20 students. Free accommodation and meals are provided and the course is free of charge, but all participating students are expected to be members of the NMR (join at: <http://nordicmigration.saxo.ku.dk/>). Students cover their own travel expenses and independently organize their trip to Helsinki. The course is held in the Swedish School of Social Science at University of Helsinki, in the city centre of Helsinki. Accommodation is in a nearby hotel. The course content, including the written assignment, is equivalent to 8 credits (ECTS); the students will get a certificate outlining the course content, and are expected to have their credits approved by their respective home university.

Application deadline: 10 March 2010.

Send a short and freely formulated application, including a short CV (max 2 pages in total), to the course coordinator Östen Wahlbeck (e-mail: osten.wahlbeck@helsinki.fi, please write "NMR" in the subject line). In the application you should briefly outline how your PhD thesis will benefit from the course. A short letter of reference from the supervisor has to be submitted to the same address before the deadline. Notification of acceptance to the course will be sent to applicants within a month. Accepted students have to submit a text (a research plan, conference paper or a draft of a thesis chapter) no later than 6 May 2010. The texts will be commented on by the lecturers of the course.