

Final Course Details

Comparative Forest Histories of the Global North

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Course Website: <http://globalforesthistorie.weebly.com/>

Final paper or website due: 10 May 2013. You may choose to do either a research paper of 8 to 10 pages (1800 to 2500 words), or a high-quality website or blog presenting your ideas and research.

I strongly encourage the website/blog, for reasons we'll discuss in class. On Monday and Tuesday afternoons, I will conduct informal afternoon workshops on website design using weebly, for those who want instruction. (See www.sustaininglakesuperior.com; the course website; www.nancy-langston.net; <http://www.toxicbodies.org/> for examples of weebly websites that I've set up for research and teaching. Weebly is a free, simple, and effective web design and hosting platform. Wordpress and tumblr are also good, free options. Adam Mandelman's research blog, <http://www.adammandelman.net/porous-places/> is an excellent example of how a PhD student can use wordpress to formulate ideas and solicit useful feedback).

Email me the paper or the website url by 10 May, 5 pm

If you do a traditional paper, I will post your paper on the course website.

Excursion details: Friday 19 April. Meet at 07.45 am in front of Lindellhallen; **the bus will leave at 08.00 sharp.** We will return from Lyksele at 15.30, arriving back at Lindellhallen at about 17.00. Bring your lunch, water, thermos of hot drink, snacks. Dress for walking in the woods, in wet snow and mud.

Readings <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/0ox53gxfu7vdtv7/N8g7tJh2WD>

Course Dinner Monday 15 April 18.00 Costas Kungsgatan 48 downtown

Daily Schedule

08:30–09.30 Lecture 1

09.30–10.00 Fika

10.00–11.30 Lecture 2 and discussion

11.30–12.30 Lunch

12.30–14.00 Lecture 3 and discussion

14.00–14.30 Fika

14.30–16.30 Website design workshops on Monday and Tuesday in C207 (bring your own laptop), Wed and Thurs informal meetings with Nancy (H104 or C207)

Participants

Students	last name	email	discussion date
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Lecturers	last name	email	Lecture Date
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Ulf	Segerström	Ulf.Segerstrom@slu.se	13 April Wed pm
Lars	Östlund	Lars.Ostlund@slu.se	14 April Thu am
Dolly	Jørgensen	dolores.jorgensen@emg.umu.se	12 April Tues pm
Erik	Törnlund	Erik.Tornlund@ddb.umu.se	14 April Thu am
Phil	Buckland	phil.buckland@arke.umu.se	11 April Mon AM

Schedule

Monday 15 APRIL

Morning: How do we know the past? Approaches, Methods, and Questions

8.30–9.30 Introductions, course goals

9.30–10 Fika

10.00–11.30 Visit to environmental archeology laboratory with Phil Buckland.

11.30–12.30 lunch on your own

Afternoon: Sami and Indigenous North American histories

12.30–14.00 Lecture, Nancy, Indigenous histories.

Questions for discussion: Ingrid.

14.30–16.30 optional website design workshop and discussion

Tuesday 16 April

Morning: North American forestry

08.30 Nancy: overview lecture on North American forest change

10.00 Nancy: Great Lakes deforestation

Questions for discussion: Olivia and Janina

Tues Afternoon: Restoration Dilemmas

12.30–14.00: Guest lecture: Dolly Jørgensen

Questions for discussion: Ulrika Widman

14.30–16.30 optional website design workshop and discussion

Wednesday 17 April

Morning: pre-industrial Europe

08.30 Nancy: Patterns and Processes in European forest history

10.00 Nancy: Swedish forestry before 1900

Questions for discussion: Chen and Ruaridh

Afternoon: Forests, Mining, Toxics

12.30–14.00: Guest lecture: Ulf Segerström

Thursday 18 April

Morning: Swedish Forests since the 19th C

08.30 Guest lecture: timber floating: Erik Törnlund (PhD Economic History)

10.00: Guest lecture: Swedish forest history: Prof. Lars Östlund, SLU

Questions for discussion: Harri and Seija

Afternoon: boreal forests, industrialization, & climate change

12.30–14.00 Nancy: lecture on boreal forests and climate change

Questions for discussion: Etsuko and Fredrick

Friday 19 April: Excursion Day

Past and Future Forests

08.00 to 17.00

Guest lecture: Erland

Questions for discussion: Tore and Zsofia

READINGS

Monday 15 APRIL

morning

- *Lindbladh, M., Bradshaw, R., & Holmqvist, B. H. (2000). Pattern and process in south swedish forests during the last 3000 years, sensed at stand and regional scales. *Journal of Ecology*, 88(1), 113–128.
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afternoon

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Tuesday 16 April: North America morning

- *Williams, M. (1992). *Americans and their forests: A historical geography*. Cambridge University Press.
- *Gough, R. J. (1997). *Farming the cutover: A social history of northern wisconsin, 1900–1940*. University Press of Kansas. [Link to Selections](#).
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afternoon

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Wednesday 17 April morning

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afternoon

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Thursday 18 April morning

- *LG Liedgren, L Östlund – Journal of Archaeological Science, 2011, Heat, smoke and fuel consumption in a high mountain stållo hut, northern Sweden–Experimental burning of fresh birch wood during winter
- *Joseffson, T., & Östlund, L. (2011). [Increased production and depletion: The impact of forestry on northern sweden’s forest landscape.](#) [In Agriculture and forestry in Sweden since 1900 – geographical and historical studies.](#)
- *Östlund, L. (1995). Logging the virgin forest: Northern sweden in the early–nineteenth century. *Forest & Conservation History*, 39(4), 160–171. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/10.2307/3983957>
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- *Tornlund, E., & Östlund, L. (2002). [Floating timber in northern sweden: The construction of floatways and transformation of rivers.](#) *Environment and History*, 8(1), 85–106.
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Friday 19 April

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