



UiO Naturhistorisk museum

Plants of the Vikings - Are you interested in Icelandic/Danish/Swedish plant traditions?

Humanities, Natural Sciences

[Natural History Museum - University of Oslo](#)

Oslo, Norway

Period: 15 Jun, 2019 to 15 Aug, 2019

Post date: 15 Jan, 2019

Deadline: 1 Apr, 2019

General information

Duration: 2 months

Commitment: 3-4 days per week

Description:

We are offering a **two-month** internship from **mid-June to mid-August 2019** at the Natural History Museum of Oslo (UiO) to contribute to the interdisciplinary research project “People and Plants: Rediscovering and safeguarding Nordic ethnobotanical heritage”. This is an innovative research project across the humanities and the natural sciences that aims to trace the origins of plant knowledge in Scandinavia.

We are looking for a motivated student to contribute to our research project. You will collaborate with the following research tasks:

1. Finding bibliographic sources about plant traditions in Iceland/Denmark/Sweden,
2. Translating key information into English,
3. Systematising folklore knowledge into a Nordic plant folklore database.

We are looking for a BA or MA student with background in the humanities, social sciences, or in biology and fluency in English. So far, we have had great experiences with a BA and an MA intern from UiO:

A welcoming and inspiring learning experience - this is how I would describe my summer internship. The project researchers are easy to talk to, and were receptive and understanding, helping me shape the project to suit my knowledge and experience. I really enjoyed my time there! Magali Courtade, MA Social Anthropology, UiO

We will provide support to apply for **Erasmus+ funding**. The application needs to be submitted to your home institution, but we will help you gather the documentation you need and sign a “Learning agreement for traineeships”. We will help you to find affordable accommodation in student housing and we will pay for your **return flight** to Oslo.

Your commitment could either be fulltime or part time depending on your availability. Duration and dates are flexible as well.

Requirements

Languages:

English: Proficient User C1

Danish: Independent User B2

Icelandic: Independent User B2

Norwegian: Independent User B2

Swedish: Independent User B2

Skills:

Since we are looking for people who can identify plant uses in Scandinavian source material, at least intermediate proficiency in one of the Scandinavian languages is a requirement.

Compensation: No financial compensation

Link: <https://www.nhm.uio.no/english/research/projects/people-and-plants/>

