



The 7th annual
Háskóli Íslands Student Conference on the Medieval North
in association with
Stofnun Árna Magnússonar í íslenskum fræðum and Miðaldastofa

It is our pleasure to announce the 7th annual *Háskóli Íslands Student Conference on the Medieval North*. This student-organized two-day conference is an interdisciplinary forum for graduate students of Old Norse and medieval Scandinavia. The primary aim of this event is to provide them with a platform to present their research in a supportive environment, fostering dialogue, exchange of ideas, and inter-department networking on student level.

Friday, April 7 – sessions held in Oddi 101

- 14:10 Opening address
- Session 1 Monstrous Opposition** (chair: Jennifer MacLellan)
14:15 Johann Levin (MA, LMU München)
Zombies of the Magic River – A New Look at the fróðárundr in Eyrbyggja saga
- 14:45 Michel van der Hoeft (MA, Universitet van Amsterdam)
The Sami People as ‘the Other’ in Old-Norse Literature
- 15:15 Julian Eduardo Valle (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
Using Contextual Information for Dating Eyrbyggja saga: A Case Study
- 15:45 - 16:00 **Short break**
- Session 2 Drawing Lines** (chair: Michael MacPherson)
16:00 Zachary Melton (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
The Lake District of England and Iceland: A Topographical and Literary Connection
- 16:30 Kathryn A. Catlin (PhD, Northwestern University)
Marginal Households of Medieval Iceland
- 17:00 Simon Nygaard (PhD, Aarhus University)
Var hon borin á bálit ok slegit í eldi: Instances of Procession in pre-Christian Scandinavian Religion

Friday sessions end at 17:30. Informal drinks follow at Stúdentakjallarinn.

Saturday, April 8 – sessions held in Oddi 101

- Session 3 Illuminating Runes** (chair: Teresa Dröfn Freysdóttir Njarðvík)
9:00 Jason Hash (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
Decoding Lbs 764 8vo: A Case Study in Icelandic Cryptography and Medieval Magic
- 9:30 Benjamin Eric Holt (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
‘Sá fló eigi at Uppsólum, en vá með hann vápn hafði’: A Concordance of Literary and Runic Attestations of the Battle at Fýrisvellir
- 10:00 Karen Langsholt Holmqvist (MA, Norwegian University of Science and Technology)
Scandinavian Runes and Roman Script in Contact in the British Isles
- 10:30 - 10:45 **Short break**
- Session 4 From Language to Memory** (chair: Eleonora Pancetti)
10:45 Kathryn Ania Haley-Halinski (MA, Háskóli Íslands/Universitetet i Oslo)
Kennings in Mind and Memory
- 11:15 Denis Golovanenko (MA, NRU HSE, Moscow)
History of Notions and History of Thought: On the Emergence of the Terminology of the Miraculous in Old Norse Literature
- 11:45 Francesco Colombo (MPhil, ASNAC, University of Cambridge/BA, Háskóli Íslands)
The igður Stanzas of Fáfnismál
- 12:15 - 13:15 **Lunch break**
- Session 5 Gendered Identities** (chair: Roberto Pagani)
13:15 Amy Franks (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
The Obsession with Masculine Viking Women in Popular Culture
- 13:45 Jessie Yusek (MA, Brock University, Canada)
Monstrous Women: Exploring Gender in Medieval Icelandic Literature and Society
- 14:15 Lee Colwill (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
Transgender Identities in Norse Society
- 14:45 - 15:00 **Short break**
- Session 6 Trouble with Kings I** (chair: Marion Poilvez)
15:00 Deniz Cem Gülen (PhD, University of Aberdeen)
Tostig the Bad
- 15:30 Benjamin Harrison (MLitt, University of Aberdeen)
Konungs skuggsjá and the Royal Hirð
- 16:00 Heidi Synnøve Djuve (PhD, University of Aberdeen)
King and Court in Konungastyrelsen
- 16:30 - 16:45 **Short Break**
- Session 7 Trouble with Kings II** (chair: Yoav Tirosh)
16:45 Selene Mazza (MA, Háskóli Íslands)
Addressing Mental Illness in Medieval Iceland: Ívars þáttur Ingimundarsonar from Morkinskinna
- 17:15 Daria Segal (MA, Háskóli Íslands/Universitetet i Oslo)
Between Image and Word: Outline of the Initial Ólafs saga helga Leaf in Flatexjarbók

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