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# CIRCUMPOLAR STUDIES IN YAKUTIA: INNOVATION AND PERSPECTIVES

# CIRCUMPOLAR STUDIES

- The Circumpolar Studies program gives you the opportunity to learn about the lands, peoples, and issues of the Circumpolar North and prepares you for advanced study or professional employment in fields as diverse as sustainable resource management, self-government, Arctic engineering, and northern tourism. Special emphasis is given to matters concerning Indigenous people of the Circumpolar North.
- The Circumpolar Studies program consists of two required components: The BCS Core and an Advanced Emphasis.
- [The BCS Core Courses](#) consists of a single lower-level introductory course and six upper-level advanced courses in three interdisciplinary fields of study. Together, the core enables students to gain a broad knowledge and understanding of the lands, peoples, and critical issues of the Circumpolar North.
- ([www.uarctic.org](http://www.uarctic.org))

# BCS core courses

- Introduction to Circumpolar Studies
- Peoples and Cultures of Circumpolar World (I, II)
- Land and Environment of Circumpolar World (I, II)
- Contemporary issues of Circumpolar World

# Perspectives in Circumpolar Studies

## UArctic Member Institutions



# Department of Northern Studies (NEFU)

- Contemporary issues of circumpolar world
- Geo-social area of the North
- Geo-cultural area of the Arctic
- Introduction to the Circumpolar world
- Quality and standard of living in circumpolar world
- Socio-economic and ecological risks in the Arctic regions
- Circumpolar geography
- Environmental security of circumpolar territories

# Arctic State Institute of Culture and Arts

- Arctic circumpolar civilization
- Arctic Region Studies
- Arctic identity
- Introduction to Indigenous paradigms
  
- New online, English-taught course starting from fall 2021:
- Arctic circumpolar civilization

# Arctic State Agrotechnological University

- Online courses (available from Fall 2021):
  - 1) Arctic Agriculture
  - 2) Arctic issues
- Perspective joint study program on Arctic Food Security
- Winter/Summer schools – 2020,2021 “Arctic Food Security”, “Sustainable development of rural areas”

# Innovations in Circumpolar studies

- Online education – within Laera Institute and other member institutions;
- Developing of short-term courses (2-3 weeks)
- Winter/summer schools;
- Field work, for example, “Summer in Siberia”, “Marginal territories of northern regions”, “Agritourism”;
- Seminars, workshops on Circumpolar studies with universities and institutions.



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