Information on the obligation to complete courses in Norwegian and social studies

You may be obliged to complete courses in Norwegian and social studies.

You must contact the adult education department of the municipality in which you live as soon as possible in order to apply for the courses, or if you wish to apply for exemption. The study obligation means that you must achieve a minimum level in Norwegian or complete 225 hours of study in Norwegian and 75 hours of study in social studies.

You must pay for the courses yourself. You may be required to complete these courses in order to be granted a permanent residence permit or citizenship.

You can apply for exemption from the obligation to complete the courses if you are able to document that you already possess sufficient knowledge of Norwegian or Sami, and in social studies. You can also apply for exemption if you are able to document special health or other compelling reasons why you should be exempted.

Practical information

If you have any questions or need further information on deadlines and rights, please contact the adult education department. You will also find information at www.imdi.no and www.udi.no