TAUBMAN COLLEGE SPRING 2019 TRAVEL COURSE BALTOSCANDIA CIRCLE ETER HALQUIST **MAY 10 - JUNE 4** NORWAY **FINLAND** Helsinki Oslo O MAY 10-12 **SWEDEN** MAY 16-20 Stockholm **ESTONIA JUNE 3-4 MAY 12-16** MAY 20-22 Gothenburg **JUNE 1-3** Riga d LATVIA north sea **DENMARK** baltic sea **MAY 22-23** Copenhagen O LITHUANIA MAY 27-JUNE 1

Gdańsk

MAY 25-27

Taking the structure of an expedition over road and waterway, this travel course seeks to understand the "complex utopia" of the Nordic Countries and Baltic States through the built environment and remarkable design cultures of each destination.

Participants will engage with the complex social, historical, and ecological considerations in the region through four main activities during the trip: [1] meeting with architects and designers in their practices to learn how they translate their ideas into practice, [2] visiting sites of interest including cultural centers, design museums, workshops, monuments, and historic buildings/towns, and [3] exploring freely, the cities, waterways, and landscape we encounter. [4] Participants will also develop a documentary practice such as sketching, photography, film, or writing with the instructor.

All travel is inherently immersive, however our circumnavigation of the Nordic Countries and Baltic States will seek a continuity of perspective covering the cultures, historical narratives, and ecologies of the Baltoscandian region.

Traveling between destinations by automobile, students will experience many smaller towns and spontaneous points of interest along the route. We'll begin and conclude our 25 day circumnavigation in Oslo, Norway (see map above). We'll spend several intensive days in each major city along our route.

POLAND

This course welcomes all students at the University of Michigan and encourages independent travel before or after the course. Keeping costs as low as possible for students is prioritized. A single visa may be required for international students, but **no visa is required for U.S. residents**.

***Bringing a bicycle is possible for participants

Contact **HALQUIST@UMICH.EDU** to express interest or to inquire about upcoming info sessions

COURSE BUDGET

Transportation + Airfare	1,600
Lodging	1,250
Food	700
Sites	400
Taubman Student Grant*	-1000

Total \$2,950*

INFO SESSIONS COMING JANUARY...

Vilnius

MAY 23-25