



Welcome to the master's program in Climate Change Management

We are happy that you have chosen to study Master in Climate Change Management (MACCM) in Sogndal and look forward to meeting you! You have already received formal information from our admission office, and it is important that you follow the instructions provided there. During the first week of August, you will receive the login information needed to register as a student in our Studentweb (it is not possible to register before you have this information). When you have registered, you will also get access to our digital classrooms.

Below is a *tentative* program for the opening week. The opening week is considered important for your social welfare and for getting to know Sogndal and its surroundings. It also serves as an introduction to the program, and the compulsory fieldwork is closely connected to some of the courses. Teaching in the first course, *Climate change and climate policy*, starts on 19 Aug.

| Date | What | When and where | Compulsory |
|------------------------|--|---|------------|
| Mon 12 Aug | The official start of the academic year | Online student registration + Confirmation of attendance | Yes |
| | Welcome to the master's program! Information about the opening week | 09:00-10:00 Stadionbygget 02-14 | Yes |
| | Meet your student buddies | 10:00 | |
| | Opening ceremony | 10:30-11:30 Outdoors campus | |
| | Lunch | 11:30-12:30 Outdoors campus | |
| | Campus tour (map and digital map with room overview), meet the student organisations | 12:00-15:00 Outdoors campus (and Sogndal town) | |
| | MACCM barbeque | 17:00, Outdoors campus | |
| Tue 13 Aug | Fjord-to-mountain excursion to Molden | 08:30 Ingafossen bus stop (campus) 16:00 Return to Ingafossen | Yes |
| Wed 14 - Thu 15 Aug | Excursion to the mountain Sognefjellet | 08:00 (Wednesday) Sogndal bus station 19:00 (Thursday) Return to Sogndal bus st. | Yes |
| Fri 16 Aug | Being a master's student in Climate change management | 09:15-12:00 Stadionbygget 02-02 | Yes |
| | Climate trail | 12:00- 14:30 Start on campus, activities around Sogndal | Yes |
| Sat 17 – Sun 18 Aug | Buddy activities | To be announced | |
| Mon 19 Aug | Start of the first course: <i>Climate change and climate policy.</i> | | |
| Early Sept, | Social gathering with 1 st and 2 nd -year MACCM students and staff members | | |



Excursions and equipment needed during the opening week

During your studies, you will be taking part in several different excursions, and you should be ready to start already the first week! For the fjord-to-mountain and Sognefjellet excursions, you will need proper clothing and equipment.

Therefore, please bring:

- rainwear, sturdy boots, and warm clothing (wool underwear, hat, gloves, etc.)
- headlamp and sunglasses
- a small daypack, drinking bottle, and mat to sit on

There is a facility for borrowing equipment in Sogndal. If you do not have all this equipment, please contact the student buddies (see below) to help you find and order the necessary equipment.

The weather in the mountains in August can be everything from mild and sunny to cold and rainy, and in the Sognefjellet we will also visit the glacier and mountain caves. Have a look at the updated weather forecasts (10 days ahead) for [the fjord-to-mountain](#) (the mountain Molden) and [Sognefjellet](#) excursion locations in advance.

More information on the excursions and the opening week will be given during the information session on Monday 12 Aug.

Further information

Basic information on the Master's program can be found on our [homepage](#), and you may be inspired by watching our [movie](#). The plans and schedules for the separate courses will be distributed via our online learning platform [Canvas](#). When you complete the online student registration, you will also get access to Canvas. You should also visit our [homepage](#) for international Master's students for further information if you are a non-native student.

If you want to know more about how it is to be a student in the MACCM program and Sogndal, get more information about the different courses and teaching activities, etc., please contact our [student buddies](#) who just finished their first year of the program. You may contact them any time during the summer, and if you provide them with your travel information, they will try to be there to welcome you when you arrive in Sogndal. We also have a common [Facebook](#) group where old and new students and staff may be contacted.

We look forward to seeing you in Sogndal in August!

Best wishes

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Student buddies

Hi!

We are Astrid and Kathie, and we have just finished our first year in the Climate Change Management master.

If you have any questions before you arrive, please feel free to contact us throughout the summer. Also, we will be your buddies when you arrive in Sogndal. We are excited to meet you!



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