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# **EXAM**

#### Course code and name

SFE11220 British culture

## **Date**

29.11 - 3.12.2021

#### Submission deadline

3.12.2021 at 14:00

#### Permitted aids and sources

All aids (except communication between candidates) are allowed. All examination papers will automatically be checked for plagiarism.

#### Course teacher

Charles Paul Keeling

By handing in my exam, I confirm to have read and understood the contents of Østfold University College's Self-declaration, and to be familiar with rules for academic writing and referencing.

## Grades will be available 3.1.2022

Candidates will find results in Studentweb www.hiof.no/studentweb

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# **Document 1**

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# **SELF-DECLARATION**

All students are obliged to familiarise themselves with the rules that apply to the use of aids/sources in connection with individual exams / final assessments and other student work (e.g. coursework requirements), as well as to what is considered cheating/attempts at cheating in connection with the use of aids/sources.

Reference is made to the Act relating to Universities and University Colleges Section 4-7 (1) and Section 4-8 (3) and to the Regulations governing Examinations and Admissions for Østfold University College Section 9-1.

Dishonest acts or circumstances aimed at giving a student an unfair advantage in examinations or coursework requirements are deemed to be cheating. Dishonest acts or circumstances aimed at giving a student unfair access to examinations or certificates/diplomas are also deemed to be cheating.

Examples of breaches of the provisions on cheating in connection with exams and other student work (coursework requirements etc.) include:

- Unauthorised access to assignment texts etc. before exams or in connection with other student work. The same applies to unauthorised access after the submission of written work.
- The use or possession of other aids than those stated in the question paper after the exam has begun.
- Plagiarism and copying of academic literature without correct use of references/sources in connection with home examinations and other written forms of assessment will be deemed to be cheating.
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  thinking or closely resembles an answer paper submitted by the student in another
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