

<b>Module title</b>		<b>Abbreviation</b>
Specialization Seminar 1 American Studies (Literary and Cultural Studies)		o4-EnMA-ALC-SM1-122-m01
<b>Module coordinator</b>		<b>Module offered by</b>
holder of the Chair of American Studies		Institute of Modern Philologies
<b>ECTS</b>	<b>Method of grading</b>	<b>Only after succ. compl. of module(s)</b>
5	numerical grade	--
<b>Duration</b>	<b>Module level</b>	<b>Other prerequisites</b>
1 semester	graduate	Admission prerequisite to assessment: regular attendance (a maximum of 2 incidents of unexcused absence) of courses (lectures excluded).
<b>Contents</b>		
The module "American Studies: Histories and Theories" will study the disciplinary history as well as central theories (e.g. New Criticism, Post-structuralism, New Historicism, Multiculturalism, Feminism, Post Humanism) and concepts (e.g. Exceptionalism, Individualism, Liberalism, Multiculturalism) of the American Studies.		
<b>Intended learning outcomes</b>		
After successful completion of the module, students are able to read and understand complex theoretical texts, to critically reflect diverse issues, theories and terminologies of literary and cultural studies and to apply theories and concepts to the analysis of literary and cultural phenomena and texts independently.		
<b>Courses</b> (type, number of weekly contact hours, language – if other than German)		
Ü (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)		
<b>Method of assessment</b> (type, scope, language – if other than German, examination offered – if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
a) term paper (approx. 12 to 15 pages) or b) presentation (approx. 30 to 45 minutes) with position paper (approx. 8 pages) or c) written examination (approx. 75 minutes) Language of assessment: English		
<b>Allocation of places</b>		
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<b>Additional information</b>		
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<b>Referred to in LPO I</b> (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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<b>Module appears in</b>		
Master's degree (2 majors) English and American Studies (2012) Master's degree (1 major) English-Speaking Cultures (2012)		