**Module title**  
Specialization Module 1 American Studies

**Abbreviation**  
04-EnMA-AS-SM1-161-m01

**Module coordinator**  
holder of the Chair of American Studies

**Module offered by**  
Institute of Modern Philologies

**ECTS**  
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**Method of grading**  
umerical grade

**Only after succ. compl. of module(s)**  
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**Duration**  
1 semester

**Module level**  
graduate

**Other prerequisites**  
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**Contents**
The module "American Studies: Histories and Theories" addresses the history of the discipline as well as central theories (e.g. New Criticism, Post-Structuralism, New Historicism, Multiculturalism, Feminism, Post-Humanism) and concepts of American Studies (e.g. Exceptionalism, Individualism, Liberalism, Multiculturalism).

**Intended learning outcomes**
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.

**Courses**
(type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)

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Module taught in: English

**Method of assessment**
(type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)

a) written examination (maximum 90 minutes) or b) term paper (approx. 20 pages)
Language of assessment: English

**Allocation of places**
max. 30 places. Should the number of applications exceed the number of available places, places will be allocated according to the number of subject semesters. Among applicants with the same number of subject semesters, places will be allocated by lot. A waiting list will be maintained and places re-allocated by lot as they become available.

**Additional information**
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**Referred to in LPO I**
(examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)
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**Module appears in**
Master's degree (2 majors) English-Speaking Cultures (2016)
Master's degree (1 major) English-Speaking Cultures (2016)