

## Annex SFB

### Studienfachbeschreibung (subject description, SFB) for the subject English and American Studies as a degree subject in a Bachelor's degree programme with 2 majors (75 ECTS credits)

Responsible: Faculty of Arts, Historical, Philological, Cultural and Geographical Studies  
Responsible: Institute of Modern Philologies

Examination regulations version: 2023  
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Abbreviations used: Course types: **E** = field trip, **K** = colloquium, **O** = conversatorium, **P** = placement/lab course, **R** = project, **S** = seminar, **T** = tutorial, **Ü** = exercise, **V** = lecture

Term: **SS** = summer semester, **WS** = winter semester

Methods of grading: **NUM** = numerical grade, **B/NB** = (not) successfully completed

Regulations: **(L)ASPO** = general academic and examination regulations (for teaching-degree programmes), **FSB** = subject-specific provisions, **SFB** = list of modules

Other: **A** = thesis, **LV** = course(s), **PL** = assessment(s), **TN** = participants, **VL** = prerequisite(s)

Conventions for the modules in this SFB: Unless otherwise stated, courses and assessments will be held in German, assessments will be offered every semester and modules are not creditable for bonus.

Information on assessment procedures: Should there be the option to choose between several methods of assessment, the lecturer will agree with the module coordinator on the method of assessment to be used in the current semester by two weeks after the start of the course at the latest and will communicate this in the customary manner.

Should a module comprise more than one graded assessment, all assessments will be equally weighted, unless otherwise stated below.

Should the assessment comprise several individual assessments, successful completion of the module will require successful completion of all individual assessments.

In accordance with the general regulations governing the degree subject described in this module catalogue:

**ASPO2015**

associated official publications (FSB (subject-specific provisions)/SFB (list of modules)):

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This module handbook seeks to render, as accurately as possible, the data that is of statutory relevance according to the examination regulations of the degree subject. However, only the FSB (subject-specific provisions) and SFB (list of modules) in their officially published versions shall be legally binding. In the case of doubt, the provisions on, in particular, module assessments specified in the FSB/SFB shall prevail.

Every module will be described using the following form:

Abbreviation	Module title							
	ECTS		Duration	(in semesters)	Method of grading		Module level	
	Courses		To be specified in the form X (y) with course type X abbreviated as specified above and number of weekly contact hours y					
	Method of assessment							
	Only after successful completion of		if applicable					
	Other prerequisites		if applicable					
	Participants and allocation of places		if applicable					
	Additional information		if applicable					
	Referred to in LPO I		if applicable (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)					

Compulsory Courses (50 ECTS credits)								
English Linguistics (5 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-BM-SW1-152-mo1	Introduction to English Linguistics							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German Course type: alternatively Ü					
	Method of assessment		written examination (maximum 90 minutes) Language of assessment: English and/or German					
	Referred to in LPO I		§ 44 (1) S. 2 b) § 64 (1) S. 2 b)					
Literature Studies (5 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-BM-LW1-152-mo1	Introduction to Literary Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German Course type: alternatively Ü					
	Method of assessment		written examination (maximum 90 minutes) Language of assessment: English and/or German					
	Referred to in LPO I		§ 44 (1) S. 2 a) § 64 (1) S. 2 a)					
Regional Studies/Cultural Studies (5 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-BM-KW1-152-mo1	Introduction to Cultural Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German Course type: alternatively Ü					
	Method of assessment		written examination (maximum 90 minutes) Language of assessment: English					
	Referred to in LPO I		§ 44 (1) S. 2 d) § 64 (1) S. 2 d)					

Lecture Modules (15 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-VM-SW1-212-m01	Lecture module Linguistics							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		a) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Referred to in LPO I		§ 64 (1) Nr. 2 b)					
o4-En-VM-Ang1-212-m01	Lecture module English Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		a) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Referred to in LPO I							
o4-En-VM-Am1-212-m01	Lecture module American Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		V (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		a) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Referred to in LPO I							
Language Practice (20 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-SP1-152-m01	Grammar							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		written examination (maximum 75 minutes) Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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		Regular attendance and active participation highly recommended.					
	Referred to in LPO I		§ 36 I Nr. 7 § 38 I Nr. 1 § 44 (1) S. 2 c) § 64 (1) S. 2 c)					

o4-En-SP3-232-mo1	<b>Writing I</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	Ü (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) written examination (maximum 90 minutes) or b) portfolio (written texts, between 900 and no more than 1,200 words total) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-SP1						
	Participants and 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	Regular attendance and active participation highly recommended.						
o4-En-SP4-232-mo1	<b>Writing II</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	Ü (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) written examination (maximum 90 minutes) or b) portfolio (written texts, between 900 and no more than 1200 words total) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-SP1						
	Participants and 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	Regular attendance and active participation highly recommended.						
o4-En-SP5-232-mo1	<b>Translation</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	Ü (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) written examination (maximum 90 minutes) or b) portfolio (written texts, between 900 and no more than 1,200 words total) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-SP1						
	Participants and 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	Regular attendance and active participation highly recommended.						
	Referred to in LPO I	§ 44 (1) Nr. 2 c)						

**Compulsory Electives (25 ECTS credits)**

Students must take two out of the three modules in each of the sub-areas "Historisch-thematische Ausrichtung" ("Historical and Thematic Modules") and "Theoretische Ausrichtung" ("Literary and Cultural Theories"). At least one English linguistics module must be chosen from one of the two sub-areas. In the sub-area "Forschungsmodul" ("Research Module"), students may choose between Linguistik (Linguistics), Anglistik (English Studies) and Amerikanistik (American Studies).

**Historical and thematic module (5 ECTS credits)**

04-En-HT-SW1-152-mo1	<b>Diachronic Linguistics</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		S (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Modules successfully completed		04-En-BM-SW1					
	Participants and 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.					
Referred to in LPO I		§ 44 (1) S. 2 b) § 64 (1) S. 2 b)						
04-En-HT-Ang1-152-mo1	<b>Historical and thematic module English Studies</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		S (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Modules successfully completed		04-En-BM-LW1 or 04-En-BM-KW1					
	Participants and 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.					

o4-En-HT-Am1-152-m01	<b>Historical and thematic module American Studies</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	S (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-BM-LW1 or o4-En-BM-KW1						
	Participants and 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.						
<b>Literary and Cultural Theories (5 ECTS credits)</b>								
o4-En-Th-SW1-152-m01	<b>Synchronic Linguistics</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	S (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-BM-SW1						
	Participants and 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.						
	Referred to in LPO I	§ 44 (1) S. 2 b) § 64 (1) S. 2 b)						

o4-En-Th-Ang1-152-mo1	Literary and Cultural Theories English Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	S (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-BM-LW1 or o4-En-BM-KW1						
	Participants and 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.						
o4-En-Th-Am1-152-mo1	Literary and Cultural Theories American Studies							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	S (2) Module taught in: English						
	Method of assessment	a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) written examination (approx. 70 minutes) or c) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English						
	Modules successfully completed	o4-En-BM-LW1 or o4-En-BM-KW1						
	Participants and 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.						
Research Module (5 ECTS credits)								
o4-En-FM-SW2-212-mo1	Research module Linguistics							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses	R (2) Module taught in: English and/or German						
	Method of assessment	a) portfolio (no less than 20 pages, including structural outline of Bachelor's thesis as well as excerpts, (sub)chapters and bibliographies with comments) or b) oral presentation on key research questions, hypotheses and findings (20 minutes) as well as written elaboration of presentation (no less than 6 pages) or c) term paper (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English						



o4-En-FM-Ang-212-mo1	<b>Research module English Studies</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		R (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		a) portfolio (no less than 20 pages, including structural outline of Bachelor's thesis as well as excerpts, (sub)chapters and bibliographies with comments) or b) oral presentation on key research questions, hypotheses and findings (20 minutes) as well as written elaboration of presentation (no less than 6 pages) or c) term paper (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
o4-En-FM-Am2-212-mo1	<b>Research module American Studies</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		R (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		a) portfolio (no less than 20 pages, including structural outline of Bachelor's thesis as well as excerpts, (sub)chapters and bibliographies with comments) or b) oral presentation on key research questions, hypotheses and findings (20 minutes) as well as written elaboration of presentation (no less than 6 pages) or c) term paper (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
<b>Thesis (10 ECTS credits)</b>								
Students may also choose to write their Bachelor's theses in their second majors or to write an interdisciplinary thesis.								
o4-EnBA-Th-152-mo1	<b>Bachelor-Thesis English and American Studies</b>							
	ECTS	10	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	numerical grade	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		No courses assigned to module					
	Method of assessment		Bachelor's thesis (maximum 40 pages)					
	Additional Information		Time to complete: 10 weeks.					
<b>Key Skills Area</b>								
In the two degree subjects, students must achieve a total of 20 ECTS credits in the area of transferable skills. Of these, a total of 5 ECTS credits must be achieved in the two subjects in the area of general transferable skills and a total of 15 ECTS credits (no less than 5 ECTS credits per subject) must be achieved in the two subjects in the area of subject-specific transferable skills.								
<b>General Key Skills</b>								
Students must take modules offered as part of the pool of general transferable skills (ASQ) of JMU.								
<b>Subject-specific Key Skills (5 ECTS credits)</b>								
o4-En-FSQ2-152-mo1	<b>Internship (Abroad)</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		P (o)					
	Method of assessment		report on practical course (maximum 10 pages) and certificate issued by supervisor of practical course					
	Additional Information		Additional information on module duration: no less than 4 weeks.					

o4-En-FSQ7-152-mo1	<b>English Language Practice</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		Exercises (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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.					
o4-En-FSQ9-152-mo1	<b>Creative Writing</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) no less than 3 literary texts independently written by candidates or b) a scene of some length or a play Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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.					
o4-En-FSQ8-152-mo1	<b>Cultural History and Theory</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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.					
o4-En-FSQ5-152-mo1	<b>Literary History and Theory</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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.					

o4-En-FSQ1-152-m01	<b>Internship (Germany)</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		P (o)					
	Method of assessment		report on practical course (maximum 10 pages) and certificate issued by supervisor of practical course					
	Additional Information		Additional information on module duration: no less than 4 weeks.					
o4-En-FSQ6-152-m01	<b>Auxiliary Course Linguistics</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English					
	Method of assessment		a) term paper (maximum 15 pages) or b) portfolio (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English					
	Participants and 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.					
o4-En-FSQ3-152-m01	<b>Teaching competence</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		P (o)					
	Method of assessment		a) report on teaching activities (maximum 10 pages) or b) certificate issued by module coordinator Holding a tutorial or language course with no less than 15 weekly contact hours.					
o4-En-FSQ4-152-m01	<b>Academic writing and research skills</b>							
	ECTS	5	Duration	1 semester	Method of grading	(not) successfully completed	Modul level	undergraduate
	Courses		Ü (2) Module taught in: English and/or German					
	Method of assessment		Exercises (maximum 15 pages) Language of assessment: English and/or German					
	Participants and 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.					