### Study Guide for B.A. American Studies



#### **General information**

If you are enrolled in **B.A. American Studies**, you are only allowed to choose from:

- 1. B.A. American Studies special modules (under <u>"Bachelorstudiengang Amerikanistik</u> (<u>Programmstudierende</u>)" on AGNES)
  - Please note that you <u>cannot</u> combine the <u>special modules A and B</u> nor the <u>special modules A and C during Winter Semester</u>
- 2. B.A. English special modules
- 3. Language Practice courses
  - You can choose 1-2 <u>ungraded</u> B.A. Language Practice courses as single classes (Sprachpraxis) per semester. Since the list on AGNES combines B.A. and M.A. classes, <u>please check that it is a B.A. class</u> by clicking on the class and scrolling down to "Studiengänge." Registration is via AGNES.

Please note which modules are available during the Winter and Summer Semester.

#### Important remarks

Please note that you are **only** allowed to choose from these modules above and not from any other modules that you might find on AGNES or online.

If the table shows the name of a specific class (e.g. "American Cultural History"), you must choose this class on AGNES. If it says "Choose one lecture/seminar" etc. then you can freely choose from the list on AGNES.

#### Glossary

VL = lecture

GK = Basic course (Grundkurs)

SE = seminar

UE = exercise

TU = tutorial

MAP = module finale exam

SWS = hours of class per week (2 SWS means 90 minutes per week)

LP = Leistungspunkt (1 LP = 1 ECTS)





### WINTER SEMESTER

#### 1. B.A. American Studies Special Modules

Option A: Cultural and Literary History and Analysis (10 ECTS)				
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS	
VL	American Cultural History	2	2	
VL	American Literary History I	1	1	
VL	Introduction to English/American Literary Studies	2	2	
SE	Introduction to Text Analysis	2	3	
MAP	Written exam on VL American Cultural History		2	
	TOTAL ECTS		10	

Option B: Literary History and Paradigms (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
VL	American Cultural History	2	2
VL	American Literary History I	1	1
SE	Choose one seminar on Paradigms of American Literature and Culture	2	4
MAP	Term paper in seminar on Paradigms of American Literature and Culture		3
	TOTAL ECTS		10

Option C: Literary Analysis and Paradigms (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
VL	Introduction to English/American Literary Studies	2	2
SE	Introduction to Text Analysis	2	3
SE	Choose one seminar on Paradigms of American Literature and Culture	2	4
MAP	Oral exam in your seminar on Paradigms of American Literature and Culture		1
	TOTAL ECTS		10

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Option D: Individual Module: American Studies (6 ECTS)				
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS	
SE	Choose any seminar from the list on AGNES for Option D	2	3	
MAP	Term paper		3	
	TOTAL ECTS		6	

#### 2. B.A. English Special Modules

ELC: English Literatures and Cultures (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Introduction to Cultural Studies and Theory	2	3
VL	British Cultural History	2	2
SE	Choose another seminar from the list on AGNES for ELC	2	3
MAP	Written exam with questions from "British Cultural History" and "Introduction to Cultural Studies and Theory"		2
	TOTAL ECTS		10

PLEASE NOTE: The following special modules all assume previous knowledge of core areas of linguistics (phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics)

EL1: English	EL1: English Grammar and Variation (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS	
SE	Choose one seminar from Selected Linguistic Processes	2	3	
SE	Choose one seminar from History and Variation of English	2	3	
SE	Choose another seminar from either Selected Linguistic Processes <u>or</u> History and Variation of English	2	3	
MAP	Written exam in "Selected Linguistic Processes"		1	
	TOTAL ECTS		10	

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EL2: History and Variation of English (4 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL2	2	3
MAP	Written exam		1
	TOTAL ECTS		4

EL3: Topics in English Grammar (4 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL3	2	3
MAP	Written exam		1
	TOTAL ECTS		4

EL4: Advanced Topics in English Linguistics (7 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL4	2	4
MAP	Term paper		3
	TOTAL ECTS		7





#### **SUMMER SEMESTER**

#### 1. B.A. American Studies Special Modules

Option A: Literature, Culture, and Media in American Society (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for Option A	2	4
SE	Choose another seminar from the list on AGNES for Option A	2	4
MAP	Term paper <u>or</u> oral exam in <u>one</u> of the seminars		2
	TOTAL ECTS		10

Option B: American Literary History (10 ECTS)				
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS	
VL	American Literary History II	1	1	
UE	Lektüreübung: American Literary History II	1	2	
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for Option B	2	4	
MAP	Term paper <u>or</u> oral exam in Seminar on Literature, Culture, and Media in American Society		3	
	TOTAL ECTS		10	

Option C: Linguistics and Literature/Culture (10 ECTS)				
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS	
SE	Introduction to Language	2	4	
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for Option C	2	4	
MAP	Term paper <u>or</u> oral exam in Seminar from Option C		2	
	TOTAL ECTS		10	

Option D: Individual Module: American Studies (6 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for Option D	2	3
MAP	Term paper		3
	TOTAL ECTS		6





#### 2. BA English Special Modules

ELC: English Literatures and Cultures (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from Literary History (Module 4 in regular B.A. English)	2	3
VL	Survey of English Literatures	2	2
SE	Choose either the seminar "Introduction to Cultural Studies and Theory" <u>or</u> one seminar from Focus Module English Literature and Culture ("Reading Poetry (Part I)" or "The Spectral Turn")	2	3
MAP	Take-Home-Exam with questions from the lecture "Survey of English Literature" and an essay in your "Literary History" seminar		2
	TOTAL ECTS		10

<sup>\*</sup>THIS MODULE IS A BIT COMPLICATED TO CHOOSE ON AGNES. Please make sure that you choose correctly from each category.

PLEASE NOTE: The following special modules all assume previous knowledge of core areas of linguistics (phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics)

EL1: English Grammar and Variation (10 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from Selected Linguistic Processes	2	3
SE	Choose one seminar from History and Variation of English	2	3
SE	Choose another seminar from either Selected Linguistic Processes <u>or</u> History and Variation of English	2	3
MAP	Written exam in "Selected Linguistic Processes"		1
-	TOTAL ECTS		10

EL2: History and Variation of English (4 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL2	2	3
MAP	Written exam		1
	TOTAL ECTS		4



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EL3: Topics in English Grammar (4 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL3	2	3
MAP	Written exam		1
	TOTAL ECTS		4

EL4: Advanced Topics in English Linguistics (7 ECTS)			
Course type	Title/Module	Hours per week/SWS	ECTS
SE	Choose one seminar from the list on AGNES for EL4	2	4
MAP	Term paper		3
	TOTAL ECTS		7