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Module and Course List

Incoming Students Institute of English and American Studies

This document explains which modules and courses incoming students of the Institute of English and American Studies can take in the winter semester 2026/2027.

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From the winter semester 2025/2026 onwards, incoming students have to register for modules, courses and examinations on their own, using the platform *Marvin*. What follows is an overview of modules, courses and examinations. The official and final information is the one that can be found on *Marvin*.

Incoming students have to complete an entire module to receive a grade. Most modules consist of multiple courses and multiple examinations, which all have to be completed in order for students to receive a grade. While the modules stay the same each semester, the courses that they are made up of can change.

UE stands for a either a lecture-style course or a practical course, PS stands for an intermediate level seminar, HS stands for an advanced level seminar.

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Literary and Cultural Studies

Basic Modules

Module title: Introduction to North American Studies

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the winter semester

Type of examination(s): Graded exam in UE/VL

Courses: one UE/VL

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to North American Studies (UE/VL)

Instructor: Carmen Birkle

Module title: Introduction to Literary Studies

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: two semesters

Offered: one course (UE1) in the winter semester, one course (UE2) in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation and graded exam in UE1; graded presentation or graded exam in UE2

Courses: two UEs

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to the Study of Anglophone

Literatures and Cultures (Survey of English

Literature) (UE1)

Instructor: Sonja Fielitz

Module title: Introduction to Cultural Studies

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: usually only in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): Graded exam in UE/SE or graded portfolio in UE/SE or graded e-portfolio in UE/SE

Courses: one UE/SE

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to Cultural Studies (UE/SE)

Instructor: Sabine Heuser

Intermediate Modules

Module title: North American Literature and Culture I

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester or one year

Offered: UE and PS are offered every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded exam in UE/VL; ungraded portfolio in PS and graded term paper in PS

Courses: one UE/VL, one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to North American Studies (UE/VL)

Instructor: Carmen Birkle

Course title: Bodies of Tomorrow: Science Fiction and Posthumanism (PS)

Instructor: Juliane Gamböck-Strätz

Course title: Exploring Kinship in Times of Planetary Precarity (PS)

Instructor: Juliane Gamböck-Strätz

Course title: American Cinema in the 1970s: Upsetting the Narrative (PS)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Private Bodies, Public Policies: Governing Female Reproductivity in 20th Century United States (PS)

Instructor: Raeisian, Mona

Module title: English Literature and Culture I

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester or one year

Offered: UE and PS are offered every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded exam in UE; ungraded portfolio in PS and graded term paper in PS

Courses: one UE, one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title:

British Narratives from the 18th Century to the Present (UE)

Instructor: Sonja Fielitz

Course title: Contemporary British Women Poets (PS)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Romantic Poetry: William Blake (PS)

Instructor: Sibylle Erle

Course title: Contemporary British Women Poets (PS)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Approaching the 20th century from an Interdisciplinary Perspective (PS)

Instructor: Dustin Runkel

Advanced Modules

Module title: North American Literature and Culture III

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester or one year

Offered: both PS are offered every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in each PS; graded term paper in one PS

Courses: two PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Bodies of Tomorrow: Science Fiction and Posthumanism (PS1)

Instructor: Juliane Gamböck-Strätz

Course title: American Cinema in the 1970s: Upsetting the Narrative (PS1)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Exploring Kinship in Times of Planetary Precarity (PS2)

Instructor: Juliane Gamböck-Strätz

Course title: Private Bodies, Public Policies: Governing Female Reproductivity in 20th Century United States (PS)

Instructor: Raeisian, Mona

Module title: North American Literature and Culture IV

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in HS; graded term paper in HS

Courses: one HS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Re-Imagining U.S.-Canadian Relations in Times of Crisis (HS)

Instructor: Carmen Birkle

Course title: Caribbean Crossroads to North America (HS)

Instructor: Carmen Birkle

Course title: Changing America's Frontier Culture (HS)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Visual Art as Modern American Literature (HS)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer



Module title: English Literature and Culture III

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester or one year

Offered: both PS are offered every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in each PS; graded term paper in one PS

Courses: two PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Contemporary British Women Poets (PS1)

Instructor: Joseph Shafer

Course title: Romantic Poetry: William Blake (PS1)

Instructor: Sibylle Erle

Course title: Approaching the 20th century from an Interdisciplinary Perspective (PS2)

Instructor: Dustin Runkel

Module title: English Literature and Culture IV

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in HS; graded term paper in HS

Courses: one HS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Transgressing Boundaries: from overreachers to 'unruly' women in early modern English Literature (HS)

Instructor: Sonja Fielitz

Linguistics

Basic Modules

Module title: Introduction to Language, Discourse and Power: Linguistics

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the winter semester

Type of examination(s): Graded exam in UE

Courses: one UE

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to Linguistics (BA) (UE)

Instructor: Sandra Götz-Lehmann

Module title: Introduction to Linguistics

Only for students that will become teachers, German skills are useful.

Credits: 3 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the winter semester

Type of examination(s): Graded exam in UE

Courses: one UE

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Introduction to Linguistics (LA) (UE)

Instructor: Linnea Garlepow

Intermediate Modules

Module title: Exploring Language Structure and Language Use I

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: usually two semesters

Offered: one course (PS: Language Structure) often only in the winter semester,
one course (PS: Language Use) often only in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in each PS and ungraded exam in
PS: Language Structure; graded term paper or graded portfolio or graded exam
in PS: Language Use

Courses: two PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Morphology (PS: Language Structure)

Instructor: Linnea Garlepow

Course title: Critical Discourse Analysis (PS: Language Use)

Instructor: Sandra Götz-Lehmann

Module title: Linguistic Theory and History of Linguistic Ideas

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded presentation in PS; graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: /

Instructor: /

Module title: Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Intercultural Communication

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: /

Instructor: /

Module title: Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Sociolinguistics

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: /

Instructor: /

Module title: Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Critical Discourse Analysis

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the winter semester

Type of examination(s): graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Critical Discourse Analysis (PS)

Instructor: Sandra Götz-Lehmann



Module title: Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Language and the Media

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: only in the winter semester

Type of examination(s): graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Language and the Media (PS)

Instructor: Sandra Götz-Lehmann

Advanced Modules

Module title: Empirical Methods

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: two semesters

Offered: one course (UE1) in the winter semester, one course (UE2) in the summer semester

Type of examination(s): three ungraded exercises in UE2, graded portfolio in UE1

Courses: two UE

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Corpus Linguistics and Statistics (UE1)

Instructor: Linnea Garlepow

Module title: English as a Foreign Language

Only for students that will become teachers.

Credits: 6 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: every semester

Type of examination(s): ungraded data analysis or ungraded presentation in PS, graded exam or graded term paper or graded project in PS

Courses: one PS

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: English as a Foreign Language (PS)

Instructor: Carmen Kraft

Language Skills

Basic Modules

Module title: Language in Use I

Credits: 12 ECTS

Duration: one semester

Offered: every semester

Type of examination(s): graded exam in UE 1, graded exam in UE2

Courses: two UEs

Course(s) in winter semester 2026/2027:

Course title: Applied Grammar I (UE1)

Instructor: Aoife Holmes-Rein

Course title: General Writing I (UE2)

Instructor: Victoria Gath

Module, Course and Examination Numbers

Module	Course	Examination
Introduction to North American Studies (M-68-626-20222-001)		graded exam (P-68-626-20222-001-01)
Introduction to Literary Studies (10871020)		graded presentation or graded exam (10871024)
Introduction to Cultural Studies (M-68-626-20222-002)		graded exam or graded portfolio or graded e-portfolio (P-68-626-20222-002-01)
North American Literature and Culture I (10871330)		ungraded exam in UE (10871332); ungraded portfolio in PS (10871333) and graded term paper in PS (10871334)
English Literature and Culture I (10871350)		ungraded exam in UE (10871352); ungraded portfolio in PS (10871353) and graded term paper in PS (10871354)
North American Literature and Culture III (10871430)		ungraded presentation in each PS (10871431; 10871432); graded term paper in one PS (10871433)

North American Literature and Culture IV (10871440)	ungraded presentation in HS (10871441); graded term paper in HS (10871442)
English Literature and Culture III (10871450)	ungraded presentation in each PS (10871451; 10871452); graded term paper in one PS (10871453)
English Literature and Culture IV (10871460)	ungraded presentation in HS (10871461); graded term paper in HS (10871462)
Introduction to Language, Discourse and Power: Linguistics (M-68-h48-20242-001)	only offered in winter semester
Introduction to Linguistics (108010)	only offered in winter semester
Exploring Language Structure and Language Use I (10871310)	ungraded presentation in each PS (10871312; 10871313) and ungraded exam in PS: Language Structure (10871314); graded term paper or graded portfolio or graded exam in PS: Language Use (10871315)
Linguistic Theory and History of Linguistic Ideas (10871320)	ungraded presentation in PS (10871321); graded portfolio of three essays in PS (10871322)
Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Intercultural	graded term paper or graded exam or graded

Communication (M-68-h48-20242-003)	project in PS (Prüfung: P-68-h48-20242-003-01)
Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Sociolinguistics (M-68-h48-20242-004)	graded term paper or graded exam or graded project in PS (Prüfung: P-68-h48-20242-004-01)
Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Critical Discourse Analysis (M-68-h48-20242-005)	only offered in winter semester
Exploring Language, Discourse and Power: Language and the Media (M-68-h48-20242-006)	only offered in winter semester
Empirical Methods (10871410)	only offered in winter semester
English as a Foreign Language (1006730)	ungraded data analysis or ungraded presentation in PS (1006731), graded exam or graded term paper or graded project in PS (1006732)
Language in Use I (M-82-871-20222-001)	graded exam in UE 1 (P-82-871-20222-001-01), graded exam in UE2 (P-82-871-20222-001-02)