

Major English and American Studies (2013 examination regulations)

Major students have to acquire a total of **108 credit points (CPs)**. They have to take **10 exams** and write a **bachelor's thesis**.

1st Year:

Language Skills I		4 x 2 SWS ¹ + 1 AP ²	11 CP
Basic Module I	<i>Medieval Studies</i>	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	6 CP
Basic Module II	<i>Linguistics</i>	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	6 CP
Basic Module III	<i>Literary Studies</i>	2 X 2 SWS + 1 AP	6 CP
			29 CP

For the Language Skills I Module students must acquire certificates of attendance in the following classes: *Grammar I, Grammar II, Translation for Beginners, Vocabulary and Translation*

The *Language Skills I* and *Basic Modules I-III* must be finished with a final exam.

2nd Year:

Methods of Academic Writing and Research	2 x 2 SWS; 2 x 1 SWS + 1 AP	8 CP
Intermediate Module Literary Studies	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	8 CP
Intermediate Module Linguistics	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	8 CP
		24 CP

The *Methods of Academic Writing and Research Module* consists of four classes in total: one class from the literary studies department, one class from the linguistics department, as well as two exercise practical tutorials on academic writing and research. The module is finished with a term paper.

The *Research and Academic Writing Module* should be finished before the students writes their first graded term paper in an intermediate or advanced module.

In order to be admitted into the *intermediate module* classes the students must pass the according *basic modules* first.

¹ SWS = weekly hours per semester

² AP = final exam

2nd or 3rd Year:

Language Skill II	4 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	13 CP
Career Orientation	Without AP	5 CP
		18 CP

Students must acquire certificates of attendance in the following classes: *Essay Writing* (2 BNs³) and *Oral Skills* (2 BNs).

3rd Year:

Advanced Module I	(Literary or Linguistic Studies)	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	10 CP
Advanced Module II	(Literary or Linguistic Studies)	2 x 2 SWS + 1 AP	10 CP
Advanced Module III	(Literary or Linguistic Studies)	2 x 2 SWS	5 CP
			25 CP

The classes for the advanced modules can be chosen from the linguistics and literary studies departments.

Admission to the *Advanced Modules* requires that the student has passed the according intermediate module, i.e. a student may only take an advanced module in literary studies if they have passed an intermediate module in literary studies.

The *bachelor's thesis* should be written in either an advanced or intermediate class. It may also be based on an international internship, or a research paper written abroad.

The *bachelor's thesis* must be written in the English language. The students are awarded 12 CP for their bachelor's thesis.

The total sum of credit points should 108.

Exams in the *Basic and Language Skills modules* are organized centrally and taken on a fixed date. The registration for these exams is done online via the [Studierendenportal](#) and has a deadline. All deadlines and dates can be found [here](#).

Registration for *individual exams* (e.g. Term papers) is done in accordance with the lecturer. The formal registration is also done on the Studierendenportal.

Should you have further questions or problems please contact the Student's Office of the English and American Studies department:

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³ BN = Certificate of participation