

Right from the start, the versatile and new Master of English & American Studies / English Linguistics (120 ECTS) allows each student a choice of profiles, between literature & culture and linguistics. In a nutshell, the program offers students a general overview of recent approaches and methods in their respective profiles, followed by a specialization tailored to each student's interests.

# OPTIONS OF SPECIALIZATION English Linguistics

Students who specialize in English Linguistics take courses in linguistic theory and empirical methods, with the goal of developing a broad understanding of the field of English linguistics as well as

specializing in one subdiscipline, which finally results in a research-based Master's thesis. The English linguistics department offers M.A. courses in phonology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics and psycholinguistics, and students can acquire a research specialization in any of these sub-disciplines. In addition to English, members of the department conduct research on languages from all over the world, so that students are regularly exposed to English phenomena in cross-linguistic perspective.

## **English & American Studies**

Students who specialize in the field of English & American Studies (EAS) focus on areas of **English and American** literatures and cultures, with particular emphasis on current methodological and theoretical debates in the respective disciplines. In addition to more traditional texts in English and American literary history, the program concentrates on current research areas, such as the Digital Humanities, postcolonial studies, as well as interdisciplinary literature and cultural studies.

To directly prepare for the Master's thesis, students select a specialization module and participate in colloquia, devoted to the discussion and exploration of current research projects in the focal area.

## **Additional Modules**

In addition to these modules – each anchored in an individual focus area - students further develop their oral and written skills in the English language in a language practice module. Beyond course participation, students also apply their acquired knowledge and skills in the fields of English Linguistics or English & American Studies in project work, like participating in an internship, a conference, or another professional activity. An interdisciplinary module complements the subjectspecific training, in order to establish links to neighboring disciplines.

During the third semester, students may choose to go abroad in an exchange program, to do course work at one of our partner universities. Each student's Master's thesis acts as an independent academic contribution toward English Linguistics, or English & American Studies respectively.



## **C**OURSE OF **S**TUDIES

Sem.	Profile: English Linguistics (EL)	Shared Modules	Profile: English & American Studies	EC TS
1. (WS)	Theoretical Linguistics (9 ECTS/LBP) Empirical Approaches to Linguistics (9 ECTS/LBP)	Current Approaches (12 ECTS) Lecture series (3 ECTS/USL) Seminar Current Methodologies (9 ECTS/LBP)	Literatures & Cultures before 1900 (9 ECTS/LBP) Literature & Culture after 1900 (9 ECTS/LBP)	30
2. (SS)	Contemporary Linguistic Theory (9 ECTS/LBP) Empirical Foundations of Linguistic Theory (9 ECTS/LBP) Research Coll. EL 2 (3 ECTS/USL)	Advanced Communication (9 ECTS/BSL) Academic Writing (3 ECTS) Verbal Communication (3 ECTS) SQ/Language Practice (3 ECTS)	Transcultural Encounters (9 ECTS/LBP) Literature, Culture & Media (9 ECTS/LBP) Research Colloquium EAS 1 (3 ECTS/USL)	30
3. (WS)  exchange/ study abroad	Current Issues in Empirical and Theoretical Linguistics (9 ECTS/LBP) Research Coll. EL 2 (3 ECTS/USL)	Project Studies (6 ECTS/USL) [e.g. internship, conference visit, excursion]  Interdisciplinary Studies (12 ECTS) [choose two modules, not from your own profile] Module 1: Seminar (EAS) (6 ECTS/LBP) Module 2: Seminar (EL) (6 ECTS/LBP) Module 3: Import module (6 ECTS/LBP) Module 4: Import module (6 ECTS/LBP)	Literary & Cultural Criticism Plus (9 ECTS/LBP) Research Colloquium EAS 2 (3 ECTS/USL)	30
4. (SS)	Master Thesis EL (30 ECTS)		Master Thesis EAS (30 ECTS)	30



## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENT**

BA in English (literature, culture, linguistics etc.)

#### **APPLICATION**

Deadline: July 15 for the winter semester and January 15 for the summer semester.

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For in art[s] there is no such thing as a universal truth.

Oscar Wilde