

AMERICAN STUDIES

Note: It is ultimately your responsibility to ensure that you are registered for the correct modules for your programme. American Studies is an interdisciplinary programme with modules on the history, literature, and visual culture of the USA. Students averaging 55% and above will have the opportunity to spend time at a University or College in the United States. Either for a year as the third year of a four year programme or as a semester in the final year of a three year programme.

AMERICAN STUDIES THREE YEAR DEGREE

Students must study **120 Credits** at both Stages 2 and 3 giving a total of 240 Credits over the two stages. At least 90 Credits must be at Level H to be eligible for an Honours degree. Stage 2 students should normally take modules at Level I. It is expected that students will study 60 Credits in the Autumn term and 60 Credits in the Spring term.

STAGE 2

Students are required to take the following 30 Credit Compulsory Module.							
Autumn Term							
EN665	American Studies: Topics in the 20 th Century This module cannot be condoned or compensated.	I	30				
Choose ONE of the following options:							
Option 1: 90 Credits from Optional Modules							
Option 2: 60 Credits from the Optional Modules PLUS 30 Credits from Wild modules							
Optional Modules:							
Year Long							
PO617	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	I	30				
Autumn Term			Spring Term				
EN675	Declaring Independence: 19 th Century US Literature	I	30	EN695	Empire, New Nations and Migration	I	30
FI599	The Gothic in Film *	I	30	FI595	Film Genre (Horror) *	I	30
FI611	New York and The Movies *	I	30	HI5023	The American Civil War Era 1848 - 1877	I	30
HA681	Pixelated World: The Digital Revolution	I	30	HI795	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century	I	30
HI763	How the West Was Won (or Lost): The American West in the Nineteenth Century	I	30	* Students must have taken the prerequisites FI313 and FI315 at Stage 1.			
HI742	The Cold War, 1941 - 1991	I	30				

STAGE 3 – WITH a semester in United States

Students are required to take the following 90 Credits of Compulsory Modules:						
Year Long						
HI560	American Studies Extended Essay This module cannot be condoned or compensated.	H	30			
Autumn Term						
EN653 EN654	Semester Abroad	H	60			
PLUS 30 Credits from EITHER the following Optional Modules OR from Wild modules:						
†Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2. * Students must have taken the prerequisites FI313 and FI314 at Stage 1.			Spring Term			
			EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-1995	H	30
			EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley	H	30
			EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	H	30
			EN705	The Contemporary Memoir	H	30
			EN709	Animals, Humans, Writing	H	30
			FI615	Film Genre (Horror) *	H	30
			HI5024	The American Civil War Era– 1848-1877	H	30
			HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century	H	30
			PO616	The Politics of Trust in the (USA)†	H	15
SO594	Terrorism and Modern Society	H	15			

STAGE 3 – WITHOUT a semester in United States

Students are required to take the following 30 Credit Compulsory module:							
Year Long							
HI560	American Studies Extended Essay This module cannot be condoned or compensated	H	30				
Choose ONE of the following options:							
Option 1: 90 Credits from the Optional Modules.							
Option 2: 60 Credits from the Optional Modules PLUS 30 Credits from Wild modules.							
Optional Modules:							
Year Long							
PO617	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	I	30				
Autumn Term			Spring Term				
EN623	Native American Literature	H	30	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-1995	H	30
EN658	American Crime Fiction	H	30	EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley	H	30
EN676	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	H	30	EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	H	30
EN701	The Global Eighteenth Century	H	30	EN705	The Contemporary Memoir	H	30
EN710	Victorian Aestheticism and Decadence	H	30	EN709	Animals, Humans, Writing	H	30
FI582	New York and the Movies *	H	30	FI615	Film Genre (Horror) *	H	30
FI584	The Gothic in Film *	H	30	HI5024	The American Civil War Era– 1848-1877	H	30
HA682	Pixelated World: The Digital Revolution	H	30	HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century	H	30
HI747	The Cold War, 1941-1991	H	30	PO616	The Politics of Trust (in the USA) †	H	15
*Students must have taken the prerequisites FI313 and FI314 at Stage 1.				SO594	'Terrorism' and Modern Society	H	15
† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617.							

AMERICAN STUDIES (HISTORY) Four Year Degree

Students must study **120 Credits** at both Stages 2 and 3 giving a total of 240 Credits over the two stages. At least 90 Credits must be at Level H to be eligible for an Honours degree. Stage 2 students should normally take modules at Level I. It is expected that students will study 60 Credits in the Autumn term and 60 Credits in the Spring term.

STAGE 2

Students are required to take the following 30 Credit compulsory Module:					
Autumn Term					
EN665	American Studies: Topics in the 20 th Century. This module cannot be condoned or compensated.	I	30		
PLUS 60 Credits from Optional Modules:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
HI742	The Cold War, 1941-1991	I	30	HI5023	The American Civil War Era – 1848-1877
HI763	How the West was Won (or lost): The American West in the 19 th Century	I	30	HI795	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century
PLUS 30 Credits from EITHER the following Optional Module OR from Wild modules:					
Year Long					
PO617	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	I	30		

STAGE A Year Abroad – Total of 120 Credits. Contact [Dr John Wills](#) for further details.

STAGE 3

Students are required to take the following 30 Credit Compulsory Module:					
Year Long					
HI560	American Studies Extended Essay This module cannot be condoned or compensated	H	30		
Choose ONE of the following options:					
Option 1: 60 Credits from the American History Special Subjects PLUS 30 Credits from the Optional Modules					
Option 2: 90 Credits from the Optional Modules.					
Option 3: 60 Credits from the Optional Modules PLUS 30 Credits from Wild modules.					
American History Special Subjects:					
Year Long					
HI6039	The Rights Revolution: The 20th Century US Supreme Court & Society	H	60		
HI6049	Rise and Fall of Slavery in the Atlantic World c.1500-1900	H	60		
HI6046	Wolves, Walruses and the Wild	H	60		
Optional Modules:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
HI5072	The American Revolution	H	30	HI5024	The American Civil War – 1848-1877
HI747	The Cold War, 1941-1991	H	30	HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century

AMERICAN STUDIES (LITERATURE) Four Year Degree

Students must study **120 Credits** at both Stages 2 and 3 giving a total of 240 Credits over the two stages. At least 90 Credits must be at Level H to be eligible for an Honours degree. Stage 2 students should normally take modules at Level I. It is expected that students will study 60 Credits in the Autumn term and 60 Credits in the Spring term.

STAGE 2

Students are required to take the following 60 Credits of Compulsory Modules. These modules cannot be condoned or compensated:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
EN675	Declaring Independence: 19 th Century US Literature	I	30		
EN665	American Studies: Topics in the 20 th Century	I	30		
PLUS 30 Credits from the following modules:					
Year Long					
PO617	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	I	30		
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
			HI795	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century	I 30
			EN695	Empire, New Nations and Migration	I 30
			EN677	The Contemporary	I 30
PLUS 30 Credits in Spring from Wild Modules					

STAGE A Year Abroad – Total of 120 Credits contact [Dr John Wills](#) for further details.

STAGE 3

Students are required to take the following 30 Credit Compulsory Module:					
Year Long					
HI560	American Studies Extended Essay This module cannot be condoned or compensated	H	30		
PLUS 30 Credits from an American Literature topic:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
EN623	Native American Literature	H	30	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-1995
EN658	American Crime Fiction	H	30	EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley
EN676	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	H	30	EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age
EN701	The Global Eighteenth Century	H	30	EN705	The Contemporary Memoir
EN710	Victorian Aestheticism and Decadence	H	30	EN709	Animals, Humans, Writing
PLUS 30 Credits from a History topic:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
HI747	The Cold War, 1941-1991	H	30	HI5024	The American Civil War Era – 1848-1877
			HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 th Century	H 30
PLUS 30 Credits from the following modules or Wild Modules:					
Autumn Term			Spring Term		
			EN695	Empire, New Nations and Migration	I 30
			EN677	The Contemporary	I 30

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