

# **CENTRE FOR AMERICAN STUDIES**

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School Web Site: [www.kent.ac.uk/amst/](http://www.kent.ac.uk/amst/)

**Please refer to the online Module Catalogue for full details of all modules:**

[www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue/](http://www.kent.ac.uk/courses/modulecatalogue/)

**Note: It is ultimately your responsibility to ensure that you are registered for the correct modules for your programme.**

You must study 120 Credits at both Stage 2 and Stage 3 giving a total of 240 Credits over the two stages. At least 90 Credits must be taken at Level 6 during Stage 3 to be eligible for an Honours degree. You must ensure that you choose an even weighting of Credits in each term: 60 Credits in the Autumn and 60 Credits in the Spring.

American Studies is an interdisciplinary programme with modules on the history, literature, and visual culture of the USA. Students averaging 60% and above for both Stages 1 and 2 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.

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## **AMERICAN STUDIES Single Honours**

**AMSTUD: BA**

### **STAGE 2 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

**You must take the following compulsory module (30 Credits):**

<b>Compulsory module:</b>	<b>MODULE CODE</b>	<b>MODULE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT AMOUNT</b>	<b>TERM TAUGHT</b>	<b>CREDIT LEVEL</b>
	<a href="#">EN665</a>	American Studies: Reputations	30	Autumn	Level 5

**PLUS 60 Credits from the following optional modules:**

<b>Optional modules:</b>	<b>MODULE CODE</b>	<b>MODULE TITLE</b>	<b>CREDIT AMOUNT</b>	<b>TERM TAUGHT</b>	<b>CREDIT LEVEL</b>
	<a href="#">CP627</a>	Science Fiction: History and Innovation	30	Year Long	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN675</a>	Declaring Independence: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century US Literature	30	Autumn	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN677</a>	The Contemporary	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN695</a>	Empire, New Nations and Migration	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN721</a>	American Modernities	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI5023</a>	The American Civil War Era 1848 - 1877	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI6056</a>	The British Atlantic World, c. 1580-1763	30	Autumn	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI795</a>	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">PO617</a>	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	30	Year Long	Level 5

**The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the optional modules above or from [Wild](#) modules.**

**AMERICAN STUDIES**  
Single Honours

**AMSTUD: BA**

**STAGE 3 (WITH a semester abroad) - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

You must take the following compulsory modules (90 Credits):

Compulsory modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	HI560	American Studies Extended Essay	30	Year Long	Level 6
	HU502	Humanities Semester Abroad	60	Autumn	Level 6

PLUS 30 Credits from the following optional modules or from **Wild** modules:

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-2015	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN623	Native American Literature	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN661	The Stranger	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN714	Utopia	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN716	Marxism, Literature and Culture	30	Spring	Level 6
	FI584	The Gothic in Film	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5024	The American Civil War – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 6
	PO616	The Politics of Trust in the (USA) †	15	Spring	Level 6

† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2.

**AMERICAN STUDIES**  
Single Honours

**AMSTUD: BA**

**STAGE 3 (WITHOUT a semester abroad) - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

You must take the following compulsory module (30 Credits):

Compulsory module:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	HI560	American Studies Extended Essay	30	Year Long	Level 6

PLUS 60 Credits from the following optional modules:

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-2015	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN623	Native American Literature	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN658	American Crime Fiction	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN661	The Stranger	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley: Black Writing in North America	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN676	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN714	Utopia	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN716	Marxism, Literature and Culture	30	Spring	Level 6
	FI584	The Gothic in Film	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5024	The American Civil War – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5072	The American Revolution	30	Autumn	Level 6

	<a href="#">HI796</a>	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">PO616</a>	The Politics of Trust in the (USA) †	15	Spring	Level 6

† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2.

The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the optional modules above or from **Wild** modules.

## AMERICAN STUDIES (HISTORY) Single Honours

**AMSTUDHIS-A: BA**

### STAGE 2 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term

You must take the following compulsory module (30 Credits):

Compulsory module:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">EN665</a>	American Studies: Reputations	30	Autumn	Level 5

PLUS 60 Credits from the following optional modules:

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">HI5023</a>	The American Civil War Era – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI6056</a>	The British Atlantic World c 1580 – 1763	30	Autumn	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI795</a>	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 5

The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the recommended list below or from **Wild** modules:

Recommended modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">CP627</a>	Science Fiction: History and Innovation	30	Year Long	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN675</a>	Declaring Independence: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century US Literature	30	Autumn	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN677</a>	The Contemporary	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN695</a>	Empire, New Nations and Migration	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN721</a>	American Modernities	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">PO617</a>	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	30	Year Long	Level 5

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

## AMERICAN STUDIES (HISTORY) Single Honours

**AMSTUDHIS-A: BA**

### STAGE 3 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term

You must take the following compulsory module (30 Credits):

Compulsory module:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">HI560</a>	American Studies Extended Essay	30	Year Long	Level 6

PLUS 60 Credits from the following optional modules:

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">HI5024</a>	The American Civil War – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">HI5072</a>	The American Revolution	30	Autumn	Level 6

	<a href="#">HI6039</a>	The Rights Revolution: The 20th Century US Supreme Court & Society	60	Year Long	Level 6
	<a href="#">HI6063</a>	California: The Golden State	60	Year Long	Level 6
	<a href="#">HI796</a>	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 6

The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the recommended list below or from [Wild](#) modules:

Recommended modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">EN588</a>	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-2015	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN623</a>	Native American Literature	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN658</a>	American Crime Fiction	30	Autumn	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN661</a>	The Stranger	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN667</a>	Harlem to Hogan's Alley: Black Writing in North America	30	Autumn	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN676</a>	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	30	Autumn	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN703</a>	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	30	Autumn	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN714</a>	Utopia	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">EN716</a>	Marxism, Literature and Culture	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">FI584</a>	The Gothic in Film	30	Spring	Level 6
	<a href="#">PO616</a>	The Politics of Trust in the (USA) †	15	Spring	Level 6

† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2.

## AMERICAN STUDIES (LITERATURE) Single Honours

## AMSTUDLIT-A: BA

### STAGE 2 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term

You must take the following compulsory modules (60 Credits):

Compulsory modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">EN665</a>	American Studies: Reputations	30	Autumn	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN675</a>	Declaring Independence: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century US Literature	30	Autumn	Level 5

PLUS 30 Credits from the following optional modules:

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">EN677</a>	The Contemporary	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN695</a>	Empire, New Nations and Migration	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">EN721</a>	American Modernities	30	Spring	Level 5

The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the recommended list below or from [Wild](#) modules:

Recommended modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	<a href="#">CP627</a>	Science Fiction: History and Innovation	30	Year Long	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI5023</a>	The American Civil War Era – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">HI795</a>	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 5
	<a href="#">PO617</a>	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	30	Year Long	Level 5

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

**AMERICAN STUDIES (LITERATURE)**  
Single Honours

**AMSTUDLIT-A: BA**

**STAGE 3 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

**You must take the following compulsory module (30 Credits):**

Compulsory module:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	HI560	American Studies Extended Essay	30	Year Long	Level 6

**PLUS 60 Credits from the following optional modules:**

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-2015	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN623	Native American Literature	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN658	American Crime Fiction	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley: Black Writing in North America	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN676	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	30	Autumn	Level 6

**The remaining 30 Credits may be taken from the recommended list below or from Wild Modules:**

Recommended modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN661	The Stranger	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN714	Utopia	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN716	Marxism, Literature and Culture	30	Spring	Level 6
	FI584	The Gothic in Film	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5024	The American Civil War – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5072	The American Revolution	30	Autumn	Level 6
	HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 6
	PO616	The Politics of Trust in the (USA) †	15	Spring	Level 6

† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2.

**AMERICAN STUDIES (LATIN AMERICA)**  
Single Honours

**AMSTUDLAT-A: BA**

**STAGE 2 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

**You must take the following compulsory modules (60 Credits):**

Compulsory modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN665	American Studies: Reputations	30	Autumn	Level 5
If LS302 was taken at Stage 1	LS504	Learning Spanish 3B (Intensive Post A-Level)	30	Year Long	Level 5
If LS300 was taken at Stage 1	LS505	Learning Spanish 4	30	Year Long	Level 5

**PLUS 30 Credits from the following optional modules:**

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	CP627	Science Fiction: History and Innovation	30	Year Long	Level 5
	EN675	Declaring Independence: 19 <sup>th</sup> Century US Literature	30	Autumn	Level 5
	EN677	The Contemporary	30	Spring	Level 5
	EN695	Empire, New Nations and Migration	30	Spring	Level 5
	EN721	American Modernities	30	Spring	Level 5
	HI5023	The American Civil War Era 1848 – 1877	30	Spring	Level 5
	HI6056	The British Atlantic World, c. 1580-1763	30	Autumn	Level 5
	HI795	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 5
	LS562	The Legacy of Inequality: Race and Ethnicity in Latin America	15	Spring	Level 5
	LS571	After Dictatorship: Spain and Latin America	15	Autumn	Level 5
	PO617	Contemporary Politics and Government in the United States	30	Year Long	Level 5

The remaining 30 Credits can be taken from the optional modules above or from **Wild** modules.

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

## AMERICAN STUDIES (LATIN AMERICA) Single Honours

**AMSTUDLAT-A: BA**

**STAGE 3 - 120 Credits – 60 in each term**

You must take the following compulsory modules (60 Credits):

Compulsory modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	HI560	American Studies Extended Essay	30	Year Long	Level 6
	LS506	Learning Spanish 5	30	Year Long	Level 6

**PLUS 30 Credits from the following optional modules:**

Optional modules:	MODULE CODE	MODULE TITLE	CREDIT AMOUNT	TERM TAUGHT	CREDIT LEVEL
	EN588	Innovation and Experiment in New York, 1945-2015	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN623	Native American Literature	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN658	American Crime Fiction	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN661	The Stranger	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN667	Harlem to Hogan's Alley: Black Writing in North America	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN676	Cross-Cultural Coming-of-Age Narratives	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN703	The Real America: Class and Culture in the American Gilded Age	30	Autumn	Level 6
	EN714	Utopia	30	Spring	Level 6
	EN716	Marxism, Literature and Culture	30	Spring	Level 6
	FI584	The Gothic in Film	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5024	The American Civil War – 1848-1877	30	Spring	Level 6
	HI5072	The American Revolution	30	Autumn	Level 6
	HI796	Inviting Doomsday: US Environmental Problems in the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century	30	Spring	Level 6
	LS554	Writing the Cuban Revolution #	15	Spring	Level 6
	LS563	Terrorism and State Terror in Latin	15	Autumn	Level 6

		America			
	<a href="#">PO616</a>	The Politics of Trust in the (USA) †	15	Spring	Level 6

† Students must have taken the prerequisite PO617 at Stage 2.

# Students must have successfully completed a Spanish language module at Stage 1 to be eligible for LS554.

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