

Module title		Abbreviation
Specialization Seminar ¹ British Studies (Literary and Cultural Studies)		o4-EnMA-BLC-SM1-122-mo1
Module coordinator		Module offered by
Managing Director English and American Studies		Institute of Modern Philologies
ECTS	Method of grading	Only after succ. compl. of module(s)
5	numerical grade	--
Duration	Module level	Other prerequisites
1 semester	graduate	Admission prerequisite to assessment: regular attendance (a maximum of 2 incidents of unexcused absence) of courses (lectures excluded).
Contents		
The module covers the most important literary and theoretical trends of the 20th and 21st century in-depth, which will be applied on the basis of detailed text analyses. This includes, inter alia, Structuralism, Post-Structuralism, New Criticism, Deconstruction, Gender Studies or New Historicism. Hence, the significance of literary theory in order to understand the processes of creative writing as well as of the academic dealing with literature will be critically discussed and evaluated. Next to the traditional theories, the current state of research (e.g. Queer theory, ecocriticism) will be displayed and discussed, too.		
Intended learning outcomes		
After successful completion of the module, students will be able to - read and understand complex theoretical texts in general, - describe complex issues, models, methods, terminologies and theories of literature and to critically reflect and abstract them, - apply literary theories to the analysis of texts in British literature independently, provided that abilities, such as the close reading, will be consolidated. Moreover, they are skilled regarding hermeneutic competencies.		
Courses (type, number of weekly contact hours, language — if other than German)		
Ü (no information on SWS (weekly contact hours) and course language available)		
Method of assessment (type, scope, language — if other than German, examination offered — if not every semester, information on whether module is creditable for bonus)		
a) term paper (approx. 12 to 15 pages) or b) presentation (approx. 30 to 45 minutes) with position paper (approx. 8 pages) or c) written examination (approx. 75 minutes) Language of assessment: English		
Allocation of places		
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Additional information		
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Workload		
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Teaching cycle		
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Referred to in LPO I (examination regulations for teaching-degree programmes)		
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Module appears in		
Master's degree (2 majors) English and American Studies (2012) Master's degree (1 major) English-Speaking Cultures (2012)		