M.A. North American Studies

Structure of the Program
**MA NORTH AMERICAN STUDIES**

**Mandatory Modules**
- Literary and Cultural Studies
- Transdisciplinary Perspectives
- Professional and Intercultural Competence
- Research in Dialogue

**Elective Modules**
- Politics & Society
- Economics
- History & Society
- Postcolonial Studies

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**MA Thesis**
# Sequence of Modules

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Literary and Cultural Studies

Two modules in two terms

**Literature and Theory**

Courses in the first term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Term paper in the seminar

**Processes and Practices of Popular Culture**

Courses in the second term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- tutorial (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Written exam covering the material of lecture and tutorial
Politics & Society

Two modules in two terms

**Foreign Policy and International Relations**

Courses in the first term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- tutorial (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Written exam covering the material of lecture and tutorial

**Political Institutions & Domestic Policy**

Courses in the second term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Term paper in the seminar
Economics

Two modules in two terms

**Microeconomics**

Courses in the first term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- tutorial (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Written exam covering the material of lecture and tutorial

**Macroeconomics**

Courses in the second term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Term paper in the seminar
History & Society

Two modules in two terms

**Issues in North American History**

Courses in the first term:
- lecture (2 SWS)
- tutorial (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Written exam covering the material of lecture and tutorial

**Approaches to North American History**

Courses in the second term:
- lecture (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Term paper in the seminar
Postcolonial Studies

Two modules in two terms

Postcolonial History

Courses in the first term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- tutorial (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Written exam covering the material of lecture and tutorial

Postcolonial Literature

Courses in the second term:

- lecture (2 SWS)
- seminar (2 SWS)

Exam:
Term paper in the seminar
Courses in the third term (or second and third):

- two seminars (2 SWS each) offered by the cooperating disciplines

Exam:
Term paper in one of the seminars

During the course of your studies:

- Study abroad
- Internship related to North America
- Field trip
- Organizing intern. conferences

Exam:
None (ungraded module)
Research in Dialogue

Courses during the first three terms:

- Lecture Series
- Colloquium
- Final Symposium

Exam:
Proposal of MA thesis

MA Thesis

4th term

- transdisciplinary
- 60 - 80 pages
## Model Trajectory MA North American Studies

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