

Veranstalter.....	JProf. Dr. Ralf Hertel
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This lecture offers a first dive into the history of English literature. Introducing texts, authors, and historical contexts from the premodern to the postmodern period, it is designed as a broad overview that presents students with an initial orientation of the relevant literary currents and landmark works. In particular, it will focus on the interrelation of historical, cultural, and literary developments. Students should be prepared to study an extensive amount of texts in-between the individual sessions in order to complement our discussions in the lecture hall.

Extracts of the texts discussed will be made available online via the Agora platform. For preparatory reading I recommend Hans-Ulrich Seeber's *Englische Literaturgeschichte* (Stuttgart: Metzler, 2012) or Paul Poplawski's *English Literature in Context* (Cambridge: Cambridge UP, 2008). Many of the texts discussed can be found in the two-volume *The Norton Anthology of English Literature* by M. H. Abrams et al. (New York: Norton, 1993).

Please note: This lecture will be held in English.