

Veranstalter.....	Jasmin Humburg
Thema.....	Introduction to American Literature and Culture (AA-A2, ENG-2, AA3, LAA3, LAA16)
Art der Veranstaltung.....	Seminar 1a
Veranstaltungsnummer.....	53-541
Zeit.....	2st., Mo 14-16 Uhr
Raum.....	Ü35-01047
Beginn.....	15.10.2018

### **Description:**

This course provides answers to some of the most fundamental questions that students of American Literature face at the beginning of their studies and serves as an introduction to the concepts, terms, and practices commonly encountered in literary studies. The course will help students acquire the basic skills necessary for analyzing literature at the university level and practice these skills on various texts ranging from poetry to prose, from drama to film. In conjunction with the accompanying lecture, the course zooms in on different eras of American literary history. The main objective is to empower students to confront texts and media from a scholarly perspective.

The course is part of an introductory module consisting of the lecture “History of American Literature” taught by Prof. Dr. Sedlmeier (Tuesday 2 – 4 pm) as well as a mandatory tutorial taught by advanced students.

Please consult the institute’s website for an update on the time slots and make sure that you can attend one of the tutorials!

### **Course Requirements:**

- attendance and active participation in seminar and tutorial
- in-class assignments (weekly response paragraphs)
- mid-term paper (due before Christmas break)
- final exam (January 28)

All necessary texts can be accessed as pdf-files in the course's Agora-room, once attendance in the course has been verified.

Sprechstunde während der Vorlesungszeit:	Mo, 16-17 Uhr
Sprechstunden während der Semesterferien:	Einzeltermine