

Veranstalter.....	Florian Sedlmeier
Thema.....	History of American Literature
Art der Veranstaltung.....	Vorlesung
Veranstaltungsnummer.....	53-529
Zeit.....	Di, 14-16
Raum.....	Ü35-00002
Beginn.....	15.10.2019

Course description:

The lecture offers students an introductory overview to the history of American literature, from its beginnings in indigenous oral traditions and Puritan texts to the early twenty-first century. Organized in major periods, the respective sessions place texts written by representative authors in social and cultural contexts. The lecture has two narrative threads. On the one hand, it tells the history of American literature as a history of cultural contact, including colonialism, immigration, and the rise of multiculturalism. On the other hand, from romanticism onward, it also frames American literary history as a succession of movements—romanticism, realism, naturalism, modernism, and postmodernism—, each of which responds to their predecessor(s).

A reader with the course material is provided in the first week. Students are expected to participate actively and attend regularly. To receive the credit for the lecture, students need to pass three quizzes over the course of the semester.

Sprechstunde während der Vorlesungszeit:	Di, 16-17
Sprechstunden während der Semesterferien: