

DEGREE COURSE SCHEME

Term	Module	LP
1	Theories and Methods of British and American Transcultural Studies	12
1	Wahlbereich: Komplementmodul lt. Katalog	12
1/2	Language Skills	6
2	Anglophone Literatures in Historical Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
2	English in Historical Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
2	Anglophone Cultures in Historical Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
2	Wahlbereich: Komplementmodul lt. Katalog	12
3	Anglophone Literatures in Contemporary Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
3	English in Contemporary Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
3	Anglophone Cultures in Contemporary Transcultural Contexts (Standard / Additional)	6
3	Praxismodul: Forschungsorientierte Vertiefung	12
4	Masterarbeit	30

LP: Credits in accordance with the ECTS-System (measure of time and effort for study including preparation and follow-up, 1 credit = approx. 30 clock hours).

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British and American
Transcultural Studies

Master of Arts



DEGREE

- Master of Arts (M. A.)

STUDY TYPE

- Continuing study course
- One-subject Master or can be combined, first or second subject: Two-subject Master

STANDARD PERIOD OF STUDY

- 4 terms

START OF STUDY

- Winter term (01. 10.)
- Summer term (01. 04.)

AREAS OF STUDY

- Linguistics/ Literature/ Cultural Studies/ Practical English

ACCESS REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree in English and/or American Studies, or related field in the Humanities. Grade: good (or better)
- 60+ credit points (or equivalent) in English and/or American Studies (or related field in the Humanities)
- Command of English (very good; level C1)
- Knowledge of German (level C1) for foreign course participants

FURTHER ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ROSTOCK

- Dissertation

SUBJECT AND OBJECTIVES

This research-oriented two-year MA program provides students with the opportunity to take an in-depth look at a range of topics associated with British and American Transcultural Studies – including cultural contact, colonization and migration.

Participants will learn how such phenomena can be investigated and analysed using theoretical and methodological approaches taken from literary studies, linguistics, and cultural studies.

APTITUDE AND REQUIREMENTS

The program requires an excellent knowledge of English, including very good spoken and written skills. It is expected that students have a keen interest in the English language and its discourses, not to mention very good abilities to analyse texts. Moreover, students should have an intense interest in encountering other cultures and literatures, as well as a desire to read extensively and to investigate diverse linguistic and cultural forms.

STUDY COURSE

Students take courses focusing on the historical and contemporary effects of expansion, colonialization and migration on the English language, English-speaking cultures and literature in English. To improve their understanding of interdisciplinary approaches, participants also take two subject-related courses outside the English department.

In addition to course work, students are given the chance to work independently, to broaden and deepen their knowledge of transcultural processes, and to develop their research methods and professional academic skills in the Master's Thesis and Master's Colloquium.

AREAS OF WORK

The program aims not only at giving students the specialist skills and knowledge needed to work effectively in English and American Studies but also at helping them attain the English language abilities and professional competence essential to becoming researchers in these and related fields. It thus recognizes and responds to the growing importance and continued relevance of English-speaking cultures in a globalized world.

In addition to offering indispensable skills for further academic qualifications (e.g., doctoral degree), the program provides a basis for a wide range of occupations in education, public relations, the media, culture, and related areas of work.

