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**Modulbezeichnung:** Core Module Literature (Core Lit) 10 ECTS  
(Core Module Literature)

Modulverantwortliche/r: Lukas Lammers

Lehrende: Gerd Bayer, Rudolf Freiburg, Doris Feldmann, Christian Krug

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Startsemester: SS 2017	Dauer: 1 Semester	Turnus: halbjährlich (WS+SS)
Präsenzzeit: 36 Std.	Eigenstudium: 264 Std.	Sprache: Englisch

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**Lehrveranstaltungen:**

English Short Stories (SS 2017, Hauptseminar, 2 SWS, Rudolf Freiburg)  
 Popular Adventures at the Turn of the Century (SS 2017, Hauptseminar, 2 SWS, Christian Krug)  
 Representing the Holocaust (SS 2017, Hauptseminar, 2 SWS, Gerd Bayer)  
 Sex and Gender in Victorian Literature and Culture (SS 2017, Hauptseminar, 2 SWS, Doris Feldmann)  
 Jonathan Swift (SS 2017, Hauptseminar, 2 SWS, Rudolf Freiburg)

**Advanced Seminar (Hauptseminar) + self-directed study**

Students taking the Core Module Literature select one of the listed Advanced Seminars. In addition, they conduct self-directed study.

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**Empfohlene Voraussetzungen:**

Students should have completed two of the Introductory Modules, including Culture before beginning this module.

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**Inhalt:**

The module provides a detailed, in-depth study of key concepts, methods and critical terminology in modern Literary Studies and applies them to a core topic in English Studies. Possible concepts and core topics are:

- the theory and practice of literary criticism, including case studies on the application of critical approaches to literary texts
- critical discussions of the functions of literary canons (e.g. de- and re-canonization, especially in contexts of gender studies or (post)colonialism)
- the historicity of literature and the representation of history (incl. the history of ideas) in literature
- literature, literary theory and cultural politics
- concepts of difference and representation in literary theory
- case studies on contemporary literary theory (e.g., religious and ethical turns)
- the study and problematization of the literary and cultural significance of literary modes and genres
- detailed study of particular literary movements or periods (e.g. Renaissance, Restoration, Romanticism)

In class (an Advanced Seminar), the respective core topic is discussed, contextualized, and critically evaluated from different perspectives. In a period of supervised self-directed study/reading assignments, students approach the topic with a narrower, individual focus. They will work on the critical concepts and terminology they use in their research, explore the contexts of their object of study, and familiarise themselves with relevant, especially current, scholarship in the field.

**Lernziele und Kompetenzen:**

Students will apply independently, but with supervision, current critical concepts and methods in Literary Studies to a core topic in the field. The module will allow them to improve their skills in the following areas:

- explore the use and limitations of particular theories and methods as applied to a clearly-defined topic in English Studies
- improve their skills in academic description, analysis, and debate
- develop ideas both in the context of a group (seminar) as well as independently

übernommen aus Prüfungsordnungsmodul Core Module Literature

**Literatur:**

Reading lists vary; texts are made available via StudOn and/or the departmental library.

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### Verwendbarkeit des Moduls / Einpassung in den Musterstudienplan:

Das Modul ist im Kontext der folgenden Studienfächer/Vertiefungsrichtungen verwendbar:

**[1] English Studies (Master of Arts): 2. Semester**

(Po-Vers. 2016w | PhilFak | English Studies (Master of Arts) | English Studies (Master of Arts) | MA English Studies - Schwerpunkt Culture and Literature | Pflichtmodule (Introductory and Core Modules) | Core Module Literature)

**[2] English Studies (Master of Arts): 2. Semester**

(Po-Vers. 2016w | PhilFak | English Studies (Master of Arts) | English Studies (Master of Arts) | MA English Studies - Schwerpunkt Linguistics and Applied Linguistics | Wahlpflichtbereich | Weitere Wahlpflichtfächer aus anderen Schwerpunkten / Studiengängen (max. 30 ECTS) | Maximal 20 ECTS aus Culture und Literature | Core Module Literature)

**[3] English Studies (Master of Arts): 2. Semester**

(Po-Vers. 2016w | PhilFak | English Studies (Master of Arts) | English Studies (Master of Arts) | MA English Studies - ohne Schwerpunkt | mindestens 30 ECTS aus Culture and Literature | Core Module Culture und Literature | Core Module Literature)

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### Studien-/Prüfungsleistungen:

Portfolioprüfung: Hausarbeit und Thesenpapier (nach mündlicher Präsentation) zu Core Module Literature (Prüfungsnummer: 40511)

(englische Bezeichnung: Seminar paper and thesis paper)

Prüfungsleistung, mehrteilige Prüfung

Anteil an der Berechnung der Modulnote: 100%

weitere Erläuterungen:

Hausarbeit und Thesenpapier (nach mündlicher Präsentation)

Prüfungssprache: Deutsch oder Englisch

Erstablingung: SS 2017, 1. Wdh.: keine Angabe

1. Prüfer: Christian Krug

1. Prüfer: Rudolf Freiburg

1. Prüfer: Doris Feldmann

1. Prüfer: Gerd Bayer

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### Organisatorisches:

The module concludes with (1) a term paper (15 pages), (2) a handout (following an oral presentation, 2 - 3 pages)