

# Littérature et civilisation des Etats-Unis d'Amérique

## Lecturer

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## Course mnemonic

GERM-B425

## ECTS credits

5 credits

## Language(s) of instruction

English

## Course period

First term

for this class. The reading list is communicated to students by way of the course's web site.

## Other information

### Contact(s)

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## Evaluation method(s)

Oral examination

### Evaluation method(s) (additional information)

Oral examination

### Determination of the mark (including the weighting of partial marks)

100 % of the grade for the oral exam

### Main language(s) of evaluation

English

## Course content

The course focuses on the following topics: 1. American literature and culture from the early stages of colonization to the mid-nineteenth century; 2. African American fiction from the late nineteenth to the mid-twentieth century; 3. Realism and naturalism in US fiction, from the late 19th century to WWII; 4. Modernist fiction in the US.

## Objectives (and/or specific learning outcomes)

To provide students with a good interdisciplinary knowledge of the main currents in American literature and culture; to develop their command of literary interpretation.

## Teaching method and learning activities

Ex cathedra lectures relying on computer slides presentations; close reading of literary selections.

## References, bibliography and recommended reading

The reading list varies according to the course's topic. In addition, official course notes (in the form of a PUB "syllabus") are available

## Programmes

### Programmes proposing this course at the faculty of Letters, Translation and Communication

MA-BABL | **Master in Multilingual Communication** | finalité Human resources/unit 1, finalité International relations/unit 1 and finalité Multiculturality/unit 1, MA-LGERM | **Master in Modern Languages and Letters : German, Dutch and English** | finalité Teaching/unit 1, finalité Third language/unit 1 and finalité North American Studies/unit 1, MA-LLANG | **Master in Modern Languages and Letters : General** | finalité Teaching/unit 1, finalité Third language/unit 1, finalité North American Studies/unit 1 and finalité Languages in Contact/unit 1 and MA-TRAD | **Master in Translation** | finalité Professional/unit 2 and finalité Research/unit 2