

## STUDY UNIT LIST (MA)

### Abbreviations

D = MA degree thesis (Hungarian 'szakdolgozat')

G = seminar (practical class; Hu 'gyakorlat')

K = lecture (Hu 'kollokvium')

Sz = comprehensive examination (Hu 'szigorlat')

V = exam (Hu 'vizsga')

Z = final examination (Hu 'záróvizsga')

kon = consultation (Hu 'konzultáció')

k = obligatory unit (Hu 'kötelező')

kv = obligatory elective unit (freely chosen elective(s) necessary for the completion of a specialization track; Hu 'kötelezően választható')

v = elective unit (opposite of obligatory; Hu 'választható')

### Explanation of prerequisites

- A prerequisite not enclosed in brackets: '**strong**' prerequisite; must be completed successfully at least one semester before the course in question for which it is a prerequisite
- A prerequisite enclosed in brackets: '**weak**' prerequisite; can be taken up in the same semester with the course in question for which it is a prerequisite, but must be completed successfully for the course for which it is a prerequisite to be valid (if the prerequisite course is failed, the course for which it is a prerequisite will be invalid; such a course (with its prerequisite) may be retaken in the next semester at the earliest)

## MA IN AMERICAN STUDIES

### HOST INSTITUTE:

The School of English and American Studies (SEAS)

### GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE MA PROGRAM IN AMERICAN STUDIES:

#### MA program title:

American Studies

**Successful graduates of the MA program in American Studies will be awarded a degree in which the following two elements will appear:**

- The level of degree the graduate has attained (magister, master; abbreviation: MA)
- The academic discipline the graduate has studied (American Studies)

#### Duration of the program:

4 semesters (2 years)

#### Credits required for graduation:

120

#### Graduation, Thesis

<http://seaswiki.elte.hu/studies/MA/American>

#### PROGRAM DIRECTOR:

Prof. Dr. Kövecses, Zoltán, Department of American Studies

## STUDY UNIT LIST OF MA IN AMERICAN STUDIES

| Code<br>BMI- | Name of Study Unit | Semester When Offered | Type of Grade | Obl./Elec. | Hours/Semester | Credits | Prerequisite(s) | Ideally taken up in ... semester | Host |
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### I. FOUNDATION STUDIES: 20 CREDITS

|           |   |   |   |   |    |   |  |   |                                |
|-----------|---|---|---|---|----|---|--|---|--------------------------------|
| AMED-100E | American Literary Canons (Traditions, Schools, Movements) | 1 | K | k | 30 | 4 |  | 1 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-110E | The American People: A Social History                     | 1 | K | k | 30 | 4 |  | 1 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-120E | American Cultural Studies                                 | 1 | K | k | 30 | 4 |  | 1 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-130E | An Interdisciplinary Approach to American English         | 1 | K | k | 30 | 4 |  | 1 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-140E | Descriptive American English Grammar                      | 1 | K | k | 60 | 4 |  | 1 | Department of American Studies |

**Total: 180 20**

### II. CORE STUDIES: 20 CREDITS

|           |  |   |   |   |    |   |                          |   |                                |
|-----------|--|---|---|---|----|---|--------------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| AMED-200E | American Studies Theory and Practice                           | 2 | K | k | 30 | 4 | 100, 110, 120, 130, 140E | 2 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-210E | American Politics Today and Its System                         | 2 | K | k | 30 | 4 | 110E                     | 2 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-220E | From Immigration to Multiculturalism: Assimilation in the U.S. | 2 | K | k | 30 | 4 | 110E                     | 2 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-230E | Visual Culture in the United States                            | 2 | K | k | 30 | 4 | 120E                     | 2 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-240E | Language, Mind, and American Culture                           | 2 | K | k | 30 | 4 | 130, 140E                | 2 | Department of American Studies |

**Total: 150 20**

### III. SPECIALIZATION STUDIES: 50 CREDITS

|           |   |   |   |    |    |   |           |   |                                |
|-----------|---|---|---|----|----|---|-----------|---|--------------------------------|
| AMED-300E | Gender, 'Race' and Ethnicity in American Literature and Culture | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 200E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-301E | Reading Critical Texts  | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 200E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-310E | The United States and Hungary                                   | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 220E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-311E | American Foreign Policy Yesterday and Today                     | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 210E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-320E | Social Problems in the U.S.A.                                   | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 220, 230E | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-321E | American Film   | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 230E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-330E | Cognitive Science and the Critique of American Society          | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 240E      | 3 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-     | Media and Communication   | 3 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 240E      | 3 | Department of                  |

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| 331E      | in the U.S.  |   |   |    |    |   |              |   | American Studies               |
| AMED-400E | Constructions and Reconstructions of Americanness and American Values in American Literature | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 300E or 301E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-401E | The Methodology of American Literary Criticism   | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 300E or 301E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-410E | Writing and Teaching American History in the U.S.  | 4 | K | kv | 30 | 5 | 310E or 311E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-411E | The Attempts of the U.S. to Create an Empire   | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 310E or 311E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-412E | Sources of American Studies in Public Collections and on the Internet                        | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 310E or 311E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-420E | Religion: Born in the U.S.A.   | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 320E or 321E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-421E | The Methodology of Cultural Studies  | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 320E or 321E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-430E | Cognitive Linguistics  | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 330E or 331E | 4 | Department of American Studies |
| AMED-431E | The Methodology of Cognitive Linguistic Research   | 4 | G | kv | 30 | 5 | 330E or 331E | 4 | Department of American Studies |

**Total: 300 50**

During the Specialization Studies (third and fourth semesters), the student must complete at least 10 courses as follows:

In the *third semester* the student must complete *at least four* courses (from the available eight obligatory elective units) so that each course represents a different academic area (literature, history, culture, linguistics).

In the *fourth semester* the student must complete *at least four* courses (from the available nine obligatory elective units) so that the courses follow as closely as possible the topic of the thesis and that one of the courses is a methodology seminar in connection to the subject area of the thesis.

#### IV. FREE ELECTIVES: 10 CREDITS

Freely chosen electives from the pool of *MA courses* offered by ELTE (some of the codes include: BMA, BMI, BMVD). Restrictions may apply (check with Institute/Department in charge of the course prior to taking the course).

#### V. THESIS, FINAL EXAMINATION: 20 CREDITS

|           |                   |   |   |   |   |    |  |   |           |
|-----------|-------------------|---|---|---|---|----|--|---|-----------|
| AMED-901E | Thesis            | 4 | D | k | 0 | 20 |  | 4 | Registrar |
| AMED-902E | Final Examination | 4 | Z | k | 0 | 0  |  | 4 | Registrar |

**Total: 0 20**