Have you always been interested in American culture and literature? Have you always been fascinated by the variety that is the USA? Our B.A. program reflects the heterogeneity of experiences in a multi-ethnic, English-speaking America. As a student of the program, you will analyze and interpret documents from political rhetoric all the way to products of literary culture. Our program is unique in offering an interdisciplinary approach to American Studies which will help you to develop an individual study profile. On top of this, the University of Tübingen offers an extraordinary exchange program.

**The University of Tübingen**

Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These have been the University of Tübingen’s guiding principles in both research and teaching ever since it was founded. The University is one of Germany’s oldest and most respected, and offers excellent conditions for a course of study with an individual focus. Tübingen not only provides an optimal environment for learning and teaching, it also offers a wide range of other activities via the University Sport Center, the Language Learning Center, the interdisciplinary Studium Generale forum and a modern University Library. The University’s motto speaks for itself: attempto – I dare!

**The town of Tübingen**

Tübingen doesn’t have a University. Tübingen is a University: young, creative, open, innovative. The beautiful, historic old town and its picturesque location on the Neckar River enhance the high quality of life and provide excellent opportunities for outdoor activities.
We offer our students a variety of courses from literary and cultural studies as well as a wide range of America-related topics in subjects such as history, political sciences, media studies and sociology. The program is designed to give students a high degree of autonomy in the way they shape their years with the program.

Next to a broad base in American literature and culture, our elective curriculum offers students individual choices in studying US-related subjects in other disciplines. The elective curriculum is an integrative part of the Mono-Bachelor program; therefore, there is no additional minor subject (Nebenfach).

Our program commences every winter and summer semester. In their first and second years, students will take one basic and one advanced module in each of the academic areas (see the diagram for a visualization of the structure of the program).

Our B.A. Program may be studied either in three or in four years. In their third year, students have two options: they may either choose the mobility option to insert an additional year into their program. Alternatively, they may continue their studies at the University of Tübingen, attending three focus modules. At the end of the final year of their studies, students will submit their B.A. thesis to complete the program.

Students who go abroad in their third year will return to Tübingen for their fourth year to finish their studies with three focus modules.

Graduates of the B.A. program with a good average grade can continue to advanced degrees. They are qualified to work in a wide array of professional fields, such as media and journalism, new media, international communication, education, publishing business, cultural management, etc. Particularly the mobility option helps students to develop an individual professional profile.

All students of Interdisciplinary American Studies are strongly recommended to spend a period of time in an English-speaking country. This is an invaluable opportunity for students to improve their language skills and to immerse themselves in a different culture and professional and/or academic environment. With our integrated mobility option in the third year, we offer our students the opportunity to partake in the university’s established exchange programs with more than fifty universities in the United States and Canada as well as in other English-speaking countries.

The additional year may be spent elsewhere, e.g. as an exchange student at one of our numerous partner universities in the US and Canada, or students may choose a job-related internship in Germany or abroad.

If you decide to go abroad, your course of studies will encompass four years and 240 credit points. If you do not go abroad, your course of studies will encompass three years and 180 credit points. The 60 additional credit points will be earned during your mobility year.

Keywords
Interdisciplinary, cultural studies, literary studies, elective curriculum, going abroad, internships, USA

Studienbeginn: jeweils im Wintersemester und im Sommersemester; Regelstudienzeit: 6 oder 8 Semester; Umfang: 180 (3 Jahre) oder 240 (inkl. Mobility Option) ECTS-Leistungspunkte; Auslandstudium: ab dem zweiten Semester möglich; Unterrichtssprache: Englisch

Bewerbungsschluss: 15. Januar oder 15. Juli
Bewerbung in schriftlicher Form bitte richten an:
Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen
Studentensekretariat
Wilhelmstraße 11 · 72074 Tübingen

How to Apply:
You may join our program either in the winter or in the summer semester. The deadlines for applying are January 15th and July 15th.

Spots in the B.A. Program Interdisciplinary American Studies are limited (‘zulassungsbeschränkt’). In order to be admitted you must present certain information, which will combine to determine your admission.

The criteria for being admitted to this program include:
• the average grade of the ‘Reifezeugnis’/’Hochschulzulassungsberechtigung’ (HZB)
• the English grade of the HZB; if there is none, another foreign language will do
• a letter of motivation (max. 450 words) in English
• other possible qualifications, e. g. professional education or practice relevant to the subject of studies, an extended continuous stay in an English-speaking country, an internationally acknowledged language certificate (e. g. TOEFL, Cambridge Certificate, IELTS), or a prize in ‘Bundeswettbewerb Fremdsprachen’.

For more information on the application please see our website: www.uni-tuebingen.de/amerikanistik > studium > studiengänge > Interdisciplinary American Studies