## English Literatures and Cultures at Tübingen

Innovative. Interdisciplinary. International. Since 1477. These have been the University of Tübingen’s guiding principles in research and teaching ever since it was founded. With this long tradition, the University of Tübingen is one of the most respected universities in Germany. Recently, its institutional strategy was successfully selected for funding in the Excellence Initiative sponsored by the German federal and state governments, making Tübingen one of Germany’s eleven universities distinguished with that title of excellence. Tübingen has also proven its status as a leading research university in many national and international competitions – in key rankings Tübingen is listed among the best universities for the Humanities and Social Sciences as well as for Science and Medicine.

With its broad spectrum of subjects, the University of Tübingen provides a wealth of opportunities for interdisciplinary collaboration. And such close cooperation on research extends beyond the University and around the world. The University of Tübingen has joint research projects at all levels with other institutions of higher education, with research institutes and with industry.

The University’s excellence in research offers optimal study conditions to students who come to Tübingen, combined with the opportunity to emphasize individual interests along the way. The attractive study environment is reinforced by many additional services, such as the Language Center, interdisciplinary lectures in the Studium Generale and the state-of-the-art University Library. The University motto speaks for itself: attempto – I dare!

### The Town of Tübingen

Tübingen does not have a university, it is a university: young, creative, open, innovative. The picturesque historical town center and its attractive position on the Neckar River offer a high quality of life whether you are studying, working, or taking a break.

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**CP:** Credit Points · IS: independent studies (6 CP) · L: lecture (3 CP) · OS: Oberseminar (9 CP) · W: work group/practical (3 CP) · WAE: academic English for MA candidates · FR: French · GER: German

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Two of the modules ELC-MA-01 and ELC-MA-03 must include a lecture and an oral exam; the remaining two must include a workgroup and a term paper.
This area of study delves into the rich tradition of English literature in Great Britain, as well as the newer literatures that have emerged in English across the globe. Of particular interest is the role literature has played across a range of cultural contexts throughout history, both in terms of its functions and achievements.

Literature is therefore viewed as an integral part of the culture of the modern era, in the widest sense of the phrase – encompassing cultural developments from the Middle Ages to the ‘postmodern’ era. More recent developments in the field, built on the concept of ‘literary studies as a form of media studies and cultural studies’, form the basis for exploring the relationship between literary texts and other types of text and media, thus creating a productive link between literary and cultural studies. The ability to critically analyze and reflect on texts of any kind constitutes the core principle underlying teaching and learning in this area.

A Master’s degree in English Studies will prepare students for jobs predominantly (but not exclusively) in the areas of public relations, adult education, intercultural communication, and in similar career fields where a strong background in communicative and intercultural skills, in addition to excellent foreign language skills, plays a crucial role.

Requirements for admission to one of the Master’s programs are:
- a B. A. degree with an above-average grade in a corresponding field
- English and at least one other language

For a formally correct application, the following documents need to be enclosed:
- a certified copy of your B. A. degree certificate
- a certified copy of your A-levels or equivalent high school diploma
- a summary of your academic development
- a letter of motivation (approx. 500 words in English)
- certificates of internships, work experience, stays abroad, etc.

For further information:
http://www.uni-tuebingen.de/en/27959

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Candidates for all Master’s programs have to apply online:
https://movein-uni-tuebingen.moveonnet.eu/

Additionally, please print out your application and send it together with the rest of your documents to the Studentensekretariat of the University of Tübingen:

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Zentrale Verwaltung · Studentensekretariat
Wilhelmsstraße 11
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Application deadline for winter semester: July 15
Application deadline for summer semester: January 15