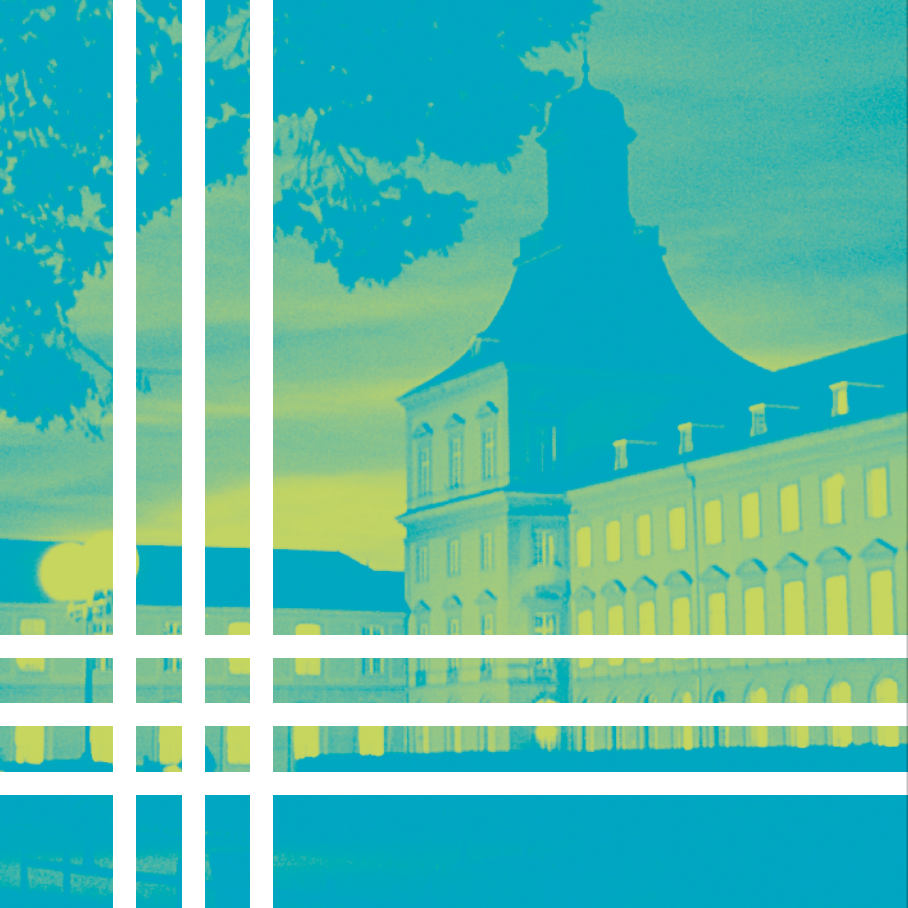


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MASTER PROGRAM NORTH AMERICAN STUDIES

The M.A. in North American Studies is a two-year research-oriented program. We invite applications from graduates dedicated to transdisciplinary work and intercultural exchange who wish to gain a thorough expertise in North American cultures, literatures, politics, histories and economics. Our program has literary and cultural studies at its core and offers you a unique variety of potential fields of specialization. Because our Master Program builds on the tradition and success of our North American Studies Program, established in 1990, and works in joint venture and close cooperation with the Master program in North American Studies in Cologne, you can focus on areas of your own scholarly interest at a large number of schools and departments both in Bonn and Cologne. While you undergo systematic training in transdisciplinary work and debate, you will also have the opportunity to conduct original research for your M.A. thesis.

We maintain long-standing alliances with US and Canadian universities and scholars, with research facilities and cultural

institutions as well as with experts from the fields of politics and economics. We operate in close contact with the embassies of the United States and Canada and keep in good touch with our many alumni who have pursued careers in journalism, publishing, public administration, politics and the foreign service, business, law, teaching and research. If you have similar professional aspirations, our M.A. in North American Studies will put you on the right track!

THE PROGRAM

The M.A. Program in North American Studies offers you a carefully designed curriculum (120 CP) with five mandatory modules and four elective areas of specialization of which you choose two. The core modules *Literature and Theory*, *Processes and Practices of Popular Culture*, and *Transdisciplinary Perspectives* introduce you to North American literary and cultural studies as well as methods and theories of North American Studies. In *Research in Dialogue* you meet established scholars in the field and successfully plan, conceptualize, and conduct your own research project for an original M.A. thesis to which you dedicate the final semester of your studies. In *Professional and Intercultural Competence* you acquire career-oriented skills

according to your individual interests, ranging from advanced language courses to field trips and self-organized internships. In addition, you select two areas of specialization from the fields of *Politics & Society* and *Economics* (taught in Bonn) and *History & Society* and *Postcolonial Studies* (taught in Cologne). In each of your electives, you will attend two modules.

A convenient train connection takes you from Bonn to Cologne in less than 30 minutes; since students have free access to public transport this is an easy and inexpensive commute.

1 st term	Literary and Cultural Studies	First Elective Politics & Society, Economics, History & Society, or Postcolonial Studies	Second Elective Politics & Society, Economics, History & Society, or Postcolonial Studies
2 nd term			
3 rd term	Trans-disciplinary Perspectives	Research in Dialogue	Professional and Intercultural Competence
4 th term	MA Thesis		

In addition, the North American Studies Program features various (extra-)curricular events and activities, including our Lecture Series, symposia, panel discussions, and field trips.

WHO CAN APPLY?

Every year in the fall, we admit up to 30 new students to our M.A. program who come to Bonn with distinct individual qualifications, training, and cultural backgrounds. Successful candidates have completed an accredited B.A. program (with a minimum grade of 3.0|C+) which has provided them with a solid basis for the M.A. Program in North American Studies. Your degree may be in literary, cultural, or media studies, linguistics, political science, economics, history, or postcolonial studies. Preferably, you have attended courses with special attention to North America and its cultures; or you have written a B.A. thesis (graded 2.0|B+ or better) with a focus on North America.

HOW TO APPLY

You can apply to our program between **7 and 20 May 2012** and possibly during a late application period at the end of August (if there are still vacancies). You find a link to the application materials on our website.

Your application includes:

- the application form of the University of Bonn
- a notarized copy of your B.A. certificate and diploma supplement. If you are still enrolled in a B.A. program at the time of your application, please submit your current transcript of grades.
- a certified copy of your high school diploma
- in case you are an international student: a certificate of intermediate German language proficiency (DSH-1, TestDaF TDN 3). If you opt to take the DSH at the University of Bonn after acceptance into our program, please state your intent in your application.



For more information and updates please visit our website at **www.nap-uni-bonn.de**

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