

WELCOME TO AMERICAN STUDIES, WELCOME TO SDU

Dear all new BA students in the American Studies Program,

On behalf of the faculty and staff, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the BA program in American Studies. We all look forward to getting to know you and that you will be as excited as we – students and staff at Center for American Studies – are about exploring the many and varied aspects of the United States and all things American in an academic context.

We look forward to seeing you on campus for a two-day introduction, starting at 9.45 on Wednesday 26 August with “Tutordag”, and followed up on **Thursday 27 August at 9.15 in U56 and Friday 28 August at 10.00 in U51**. There are physical maps distributed generously all over campus that should help you locate the room, but alternatively download the SDU Maps app.

The intro program is as follows (subject to change):

Program for Introdagene på Amerikanske Studier, BA

ONSDAG D. 26. AUGUST: TUTORDAG

U42 (fælles med engelsk)

Mødested: Bag ved svømmehallen på SDU (kort tur fra hovedindgangen)

Kl. 9.45-10.30: Velkomst og introduktion til SDU og Amerikanske Studier

Kl. 10.30-11.45: Rundvisning og aktiviteter med koordinators og tutorerne

Kl. 11.45-12.30: Frokost (for egen regning)

Kl. 12.30-14.15: Fortsættelse af aktiviteter med koordinators og tutorerne

Kl. 14.15-14.20: Tak for i dag

Kl. 14.30- : Hygge i Munke Mose parken

Det officielle program slutter k. 14.30, men der er både på engelskstudiet og på Amerikanske Studier tradition for at lave en fællestur til Munke Mose i Odense C. Det vil også være tilfældet i år. Er du endnu ikke bekendt med Odense by, så frygt ikke. Der vil nemlig være koordinators og tutorer til at følges med jer derned!

TORSDAG D. 27. AUGUST – Lokale U56

9.15 – 10.00: Velkommen til Amerikanske studier
10.15 - 11.00: Spørg de studerende – samtaler om studiet med ældre studerende
11.00 – 11.15: Pause
11.15 – 12.00: At studere på universitetet – en guide
12.00 - 12.45: Frokost (for egen regning)
12.45-14.00: Mød underviserne og introduktion til fagene på 1. semester

FREDAG D. 28. AUGUST - Lokale U51

10.00 - 11.30: Mød de faglige vejledere
11.30 - 12.30: Frokost (sammen med MA studerende og undervisere)
12.30 – 13.30: "Alpha Males and Wimps: Masculinities in U.S. Elections"
13.30-15.00: Festforelæsning, Professor Jørn Brøndal

As you can see, not only will you have the opportunity to meet your fellow BA students, but also MA students and older students from both programs, who can share their experience of studying in the American Studies program. You will also meet the professors who will be teaching you in the following semester, and hopefully, other members of our faculty.

The intro program also offers several lectures that will give you a taste of what is to come over the next two years.

Classes Taught and Study Commencement Test

This semester we have three (3) interesting and exciting courses for you:

Introduktion til Amerikanske Studier, Wednesday 12-14 in U69A and Friday 9-11 in U8
USA's Historie, Monday, 16-18 in U145 and Thursday, 10-12 in U8
Amerikansk Litteratur og Kultur, Monday 14-16 in U69A and Wednesday 10-12 in U69A

Read more about the courses and the entire BA program here:
<https://www.sdu.dk/da/uddannelse/bachelor/amerikanske-studier/opbygning>

Note that SDU has a so-called Study Commencement test, which means that you **need to come to class in order to prove that you are an active student**, AND take the e-learning BA introduction course on the platform Itslearning. You will learn more about this during the intro program.

This means that **you must participate in class for the first week of teaching. If you fail to do so, you must come the second week. If you do not, you will no longer be enrolled as a student in American Studies.**

We strongly encourage you to come to all classes. In some courses, attendance is a requirement.

For planning purposes (room sizes, group sizes, plus we throw a free sandwich into the mix and do not want to waste too many or have anyone go hungry), it is important for us to know the following before the intro days:

- Are you planning to join us on campus (27 – 28 August)?

Please send an e-mail to nbp@sdu.dk as soon as possible regarding this.

I look forward to seeing you and should you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at nbp@sdu.dk or the BA Student mentors if you have any questions. We will keep you updated about any changes!

Yours sincerely

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