

These degree program and examination regulations have been worded carefully to be up to date; however, errors cannot be completely excluded. The official German text available at the Examinations Office is the version that is legally binding.

**Degree Program and Examination Regulations for the
Master's Degree Program 'North American Studies: Culture
and Literature' at the Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences,
and Theology of the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg
– FPONoAMStud –
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Based on Section 13 (1)(2), Section 43 (5)(2), Section 61 (2)(1) of the Bavarian Higher Education Act (Bayerisches Hochschulgesetz, BayHSchG), the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg enacts the following examination regulations:

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Section 1 Scope

The degree program and examination regulations for the research-orientated consecutive Master's degree program North American Studies with the title 'Master of Arts (MA)' complement the General Examination Regulations for the Bachelor's and Master's Degree Program at the Faculty of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Theology of Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg – ABMStPO/Phil.

**Section 2 Qualification for a Master's Degree, Certificates and
Admission Requirements**

(1) ¹A subject-specific degree is a degree in a two-subject Bachelor's degree program in the subject American Studies. ²Degrees from degree program with a significant focus on North America-related content shall be recognized as subject-related degrees within the meaning of Section 34 (1)(1) in conjunction with Paragraph 2 ABMStPO/Phil. ³If there is any doubt as to the status of the degree, the admissions decision shall be based on an interview.

(2) ¹For applicants with an overall grade on their subject-specific degree or, in the case of Section 34 (4) ABMStPO/Phil, an average of their achievements hitherto between 2.51 and 3.50, an interview shall be conducted; the remaining applicants shall not be admitted to the second level of the qualification assessment process and shall receive a rejection notification including reasons. ²The interview is supposed to demonstrate that the applicant possesses the required knowledge and methodological expertise and can be expected to carry out independent academic work in a more research-orientated degree program. ³In the interview, applicants shall be evaluated with special emphasis on the following criteria:

1. A good knowledge of the foundations of the subject.
2. A positive prognosis based on improving progress during their course of studies.
3. Motivation for enrolling in Master's degree program.

(3) The requirement for German language proficiency according to Section 4 (5)(13) of Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg's agreement on enrolment, re-registration, leave and de-registration from 28 November 2006 as amended from time to time may be waived as all modules are offered in English.

Section 3 Scope and Structure of the Master's Degree Program, Examinations
 Scope and structure of the Master's degree program North American Studies as well as scope, type and weighting factor of the examinations shall be set forth in the Appendix.

Section 4 Legal Validity, Transitory Provisions

These degree program and examination regulations shall come into effect on the day after their publication.

Appendix: Master's degree program North American Studies

Number and name of the modules and course of study.					
Semester	Module	SWS	ECTS credits	Type and scope of the examination	Factor
1	(1) Basic module Cultural Studies	2+2	10	Oral examination 20 min.	100%
	(2) Basic module Literary Studies	2+2	10	Oral examination 20 min.	100%
	(3) Basic module Language	2+2	10	Presentation	100%
Subtotal 1st semester		12	30		
2	(4) Intermediary module Cultural Studies	2+1	10	Written assignment/ handout	80% / 20%
	(5) Intermediary module Literary Studies	2+1	10	Written assignment/ handout	80%) 20%
	(6) Survey module	2+2	10	Oral examination / 20 min. Portfolio	80% / 20%
Subtotal 2nd semester		10	30		
3	(7) Advanced module Cultural Studies	2+1	10	Written assignment/ academic presentation	70% / 30%
	(8) Advanced module Literary Studies	2+1	10	Written assignment/ academic presentation	70% / 30%
	(9) Project module	2	10	Research project/ portfolio with academic response	50% / 50%
Subtotal total 3rd semester		8	30		
	(10) MA thesis in chosen specialization		30		
Subtotal 4th semester			30		
Total		30	120		