

Admissions Requirements

- I. Bachelor's degree in American Studies or related subject (e.g. English, Cultural Studies, History)
- II. If applicants do not hold a bachelor's degree in American Studies, they are required to have
 - a. successfully completed at least 4 courses that focused on the literature, culture, and/or history of the United States. If applicants' transcripts do not indicate which courses concentrated on the United States, they should enclose copies of relevant course syllabi.

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 - b. considerable knowledge of major methodological approaches utilized in literary and cultural studies. Applicants are advised to enclose course syllabi that indicate what types of methodologies were studied.
- III. The admissions committee may admit exceptional applicants who do not fulfill abovementioned requirements on the condition that they complete additional course work during the first year of the master's program.
- IV. Proof of English language skills by certificates or another equivalent form of proof recognized by the examination office (level C1), e.g.
 - a. TOEFL (internet based at least 110 points, computer-based at least 270 points, paper based at least 637 points) *or*
 - b. IELTS (at least 7.0 in all 4 categories) *or*
 - c. a BA degree from Goethe University Frankfurt in American Studies or English Studies *or* a comparable degree from a different university *or* a degree from an English-speaking country.

If none of the above is presented at the time of application, the examination office may grant provisional admission. In this case, proof of English language skills must be presented at the latest at the end of the first semester.

Please note: Applicants from **India**, **Vietnam** and the People's Republic of **China** also need an **APS-Certificate** which has to be handed in as original. More details you will find here: https://www.goethe-university-frankfurt.de/134514421/Akademische_Pr%C3%BCfstelle_APS_Certificate?locale=en