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## **Dr. phil. in American Cultural History**

(minor in American Literary History),  
Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich, 2013

## **M.A. in American Cultural History**

(minors in American Literary History and Drama),  
Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich, 2006

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Ongoing, since Nov. 2020 Coordinator and lecturer for lecture series ***Introduction to American Literature, Culture, and History*** (B.A. North American Studies, JGU Mainz)
- Oct. 2023–Feb. 2024 ***War in U.S. History and Media*** (M.A., JGU Mainz)
- Apr.–July 2023 ***Communication Nation: Telegraphs, Transportation, and the Transformation of the United States in the Nineteenth Century*** (B.A., JGU Mainz)
- Okt. 2022–Feb. 2023 ***The Age and the Memory of the American Revolution*** (M.A., JGU Mainz)
- Apr.–Juli 2022 ***Diffident Decade: The United States in the 1970s*** (Proseminar, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz)
- Oct. 2021–Feb. 2022 ***Democracy and Its Discontents*** (Advanced Research Seminar)
- Apr.–July 2021 ***1776: The Age and the Memory of the American Revolution*** (B.A., JGU Mainz)
- Nov. 2020–Feb. 2021 ***The Ages of Jackson*** (M.A. North American Studies, JGU Mainz)
- American Capitalism*** (M.A., JGU Mainz)
- Oct. 2020 ***The American South*** (Teacher Training Seminar, Amerika Haus Munich)
- Apr.–July 2020 ***The Cause of All Mankind? The Era of the American Revolution*** (B.A., JGU Mainz)
- Oct. 2019–Feb. 2020 ***The Southern States Before the Civil War*** (B.A., JGU Mainz)
- June–Aug. 2019 ***Queer Theory*** (B.A. English, York University, Toronto)

Apr.–Jun. 2019	<b>Futures Past: Futurology Between Science and Popular Culture in Transnational Perspective</b> (B.A., JGU Mainz)
Oct. 2018–Feb. 2019	<b>Fake News and Moonbats: American News Media in the Nineteenth Century</b> (B.A., JGU Mainz)
Apr. 2018–July 2018	<b>The History of the American West</b> (B.A., JGU Mainz)
Oct. 2017–Feb. 2018	<b>Borderlands and the American West</b> (B.A., JGU Mainz)
July 2017	<b>Amerikanische Geschichte in New York und Philadelphia: Gründungsgeschichte, Unabhängigkeitskriege und Erinnerungsorte</b> (Summer School, M.A.S., University of Zurich)
since Apr. 2017	<b>Introduction to American History, Before 1877 and Introduction to American History, After 1877</b> (Taught one of two alternating introductory survey courses every semester, B.A., JGU Mainz)
Oct. 2016–Oct. 2017	<b>Einführung in die Geschichtswissenschaft</b> (Introduction to History, B.A., University of Cologne)
Oct. 2010; Dec. 2012; Jan. 2013	<b>Presentation Skills</b> (B.A. North American Studies, Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich)
May 2012	<b>Die Idee des Westens in der amerikanischen Kultur und Geschichte</b> ( <i>The Idea of the West in American Culture and History</i> , Lecture, B.A., LMU)
Oct. 2010–May 2012	Lectures for secondary school students in Bavaria on <b>Creationism in the United States</b> and <b>History of Technology: Silicon Valley</b>
Apr.–July 2012	<b>Die Progressive Era</b> (B.A., LMU)
Apr. 2012	<b>Schreibseminar für MagisterkandidatInnen</b> (Academic Writing for Magister Artium students, LMU)
Oct. 2011–Feb. 2012	<b>American History until 1865</b> (co-taught, B.A., LMU)
Oct. 2011–Feb. 2012	<b>Territories Foreign or Domestic: The West and America's Borderlands</b> (B.A., LMU)
Oct. 2011–Feb. 2012	<b>A Nation Talking to Itself: The Story(ies) of Journalism in the U.S.</b> (B.A., LMU)
Apr.–July 2011	<b>Raising Arizona: From Wild West to Silicon Desert</b> (B.A., LMU)
Apr. 2010–Feb. 2012; Nov. 2007–July 2008	<b>Methoden und Theorien der Amerikanischen Kulturgeschichte</b> ( <i>Methods and Theories</i> , Magister Artium American Cultural History, LMU)

Apr.–July 2010	<b><i>Neither Here Nor There: Histories of the Southwestern Borderlands</i></b> (M.A., LMU)
Mar. 2009 / Apr. 2010	<b><i>Before Gore: American Environmental History</i></b> (seminars taught at Krakow and Venice)
Oct. 2009–Feb. 2010	<b><i>Patent Pending: Invention, Technology, and Communication – 1865–1917</i></b> (M.A., LMU)
Mar. 2009–July 2009	<b><i>Not Necessarily Not the News: Journalism in America from the Daily Advertiser to the Daily Show</i></b> (M.A., LMU)
Feb.–Mar. 2009	<b><i>The Ages of Jackson</i></b> (M.A., LMU)
Oct. 2008–Feb. 2009	<b><i>Creationism in the Culture Wars</i></b> (M.A., LMU)
Apr.–July 2008	<b><i>How the West Was Lost and Won</i></b> (Magister Artium, LMU)
Oct. 2006–Sep. 2007; Oct. 2003–Feb. 2005	<b><i>Tutorial classes</i></b> for introductory lectures in American History (M.A., LMU)

### **FINAL THESIS SUPERVISION**

Primary or secondary supervisor for multiple final theses in the B.A., B.Ed., M.A., and M.Ed. programs at the Department of English and Linguistics, JGU Mainz.