

# COURSE DETAIL

## INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN LITERATURE

**Country**

United Kingdom - England

**Host Institution**

King's College London

**Program(s)**

King's College London

**UCEAP Course Level**

Lower Division

**UCEAP Subject Area(s)**

English

**UCEAP Course Number**

64

**UCEAP Course Suffix****UCEAP Official Title**

INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN LITERATURE

**UCEAP Transcript Title**

INTRO AMERICAN LIT

**UCEAP Quarter Units**

6.00

**UCEAP Semester Units**

4.00

## Course Description

This course introduce students to the study of American literature at university level. Students gain a knowledge of some of the most emblematic texts and movements in American literary culture as well as some of the historical contexts that have framed them. Through studying a diverse and varied array of works, students gain an insight into the most productive approaches, concepts, and methods for reading US culture. These include thinking about settler colonialism, indigeneity, questions of race, the tension between popular and canonical forms of writing, the effects of literary nationalism, capitalism and its effects, and the problems of narrative representation when faced with the troubling history of America. Central concepts include slavery, democracy, freedom, individualism, personal identity, and geography.

### Language(s) of Instruction

English

### Host Institution Course Number

4AAEA016

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### Host Institution Campus

King's College London/ Strand Campus

### Host Institution Faculty

### Host Institution Degree

### Host Institution Department

English

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