

Course Name : American Studies							
Course Code	Course Type	Regular Semester	Lecture (hours/week)	Seminar (hours/week)	Lab. (hours/week)	Credits	ECTS
ELL 356	C	Spring	3.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	5.00
Lecturer		William Karl Martin, PhD					
Assistant							
Course language		English					
Course level		Bachelor					
Description		American film reflects and arguably creates the American national identity. The films considered in this course will explore dynamics of modern America; the films and the introductory lectures will provide students with an integrated and critical knowledge of American culture and society. Rather than accept a given film as an accurate depiction of events or even ideologies, your exercise in critical thinking will be paramount to your learning success.					
Objectives		This is not a survey course in American History; rather, this course will provide students with an integrated and critical knowledge of American Culture and society. Key elements in our course will be American Film and American Rock and Roll - both of which reflect and arguably create the American national identity.					
Core Concepts		This course will provide the theoretical tools for interpreting the philosophical and the historical/cultural events encountered in American Studies. Students will exercise their critical thinking as they consider primary and secondary sources with regard to America and the American Dream, intercultural relations, race relations, war, freedom of the press, and American music.					
Course Outline							
Week	Topic						
1	Course Introduction						
2	America’s Political Foundation						
3	American Philosophy						
4	The American Dream It’s a Wonderful Life						
5	Intercultural Relations Outsourced						
6	America, Race and Civil Rights Mississippi Burning						
7	Midterm Preparation						
8	Midterm exam						
9	America at War Platoon						
10	Watergate All the President’s Men						
11	Freedom of the Press The Post						
12	Rock and Roll in American-1						
13	Rock and Roll in American-2						
14	Rock and Roll in American-3						
15	Discussion						
16	Final Exam						

Prerequisites	The student must attend the course at a minimum rate of 75%.		
Literature	• Readings, PPTs, and films will be provided in the Google Drive course folder.		
References			
Course Outcome			
1	Studentët do të kuptojnë se		
2	Studentët do të përdorin mendimin e tyre kritik dhe do të kuptojnë më mirë kompleksitetin që përbën dhe informon se çfarë është Amerika.		
Course Evaluation			
In-term Studies		Quantity	Percentage
Midterms		1	40
Quizzes		0	0
Projects		0	0
Term Projects		0	0
Laboratory		0	0
Class Participation		0	0
Total in-term evaluation percent			40
Final exam percent			60
Total			100
ECTS Workload (Based on Student Workload)			
Activities	Quantity	Duration (hours)	Total (hours)
Course duration (Including the exam week: 16x Total hours of the course)	16	3	48
Study hours outside the classroom (Preparation, Practice, etc.)	14	5	70
Duties	0	5	0
Midterms	1	3	3
Final Exam	1	6	6
Other	0	2	0
Total Work Load			127
Total Work Load / 25 (hours)			5.08
ECTS			5.00