On all How to English Days

Mix and Mingle

On all the *HowtoEnglish* days, the Fachschaft and staff will provide coffee, tea and freshly baked goods: you're invited to drop by in between workshops to have a snack or stay to chat with students and staff!

SAYE - (Self-)Assess Your English

How proficient are you in English? This is an opportunity to find out, using a digital self-assessment tool you can find in our HtEW Moodle.

MONDAY

How to Basis2 Portfolio

In this workshop, we will explain the basics of how the Basis2 portfolio works. What tasks does it entail? How to access the e-Prüfungsraum? How do the points 'translate' into grades? We are happy to answer your questions.

TUESDAY

How to Survive and Thrive in Your First Semester(s)

This workshop is aimed at first and second semester students who want to know how to survive and thrive during your first semester(s). We'll discuss the following questions (among others): why is it important to attend class? What does participation in a university class look like? How is it different from school? What do I do if I fall behind? How do I communicate with my teachers? Can I use ChatGPT? What constitutes plagiarism (and is Grammarly fine)? You are also encouraged to bring your own questions about life and work at university, the English study programs, self-organization, communication and general conduct at university.

Guided tour around the city centre of Bielefeld (approx. 2 hours, in English)

Dr. Barbara Frey will offer a guided city tour (free of charge for students) on Tuesday, 14 Oct, 14.00-16.00 – meeting point: outside of the old town hall

What connects a city like Bielefeld, far away from the sea, with German colonialism? People from Bielefeld worked as merchants in 'overseas' trade, or they lived as farmers, missionaries, soldiers in the colonies. In Bielefeld, people were actively engaged in celebrating colonial festivals, erecting monuments and assigning street names. The city tour invites students to take a critical look at colonialism as part of Bielefeld's history, and it traces colonial continuities that can still be seen today.

How to Write Theses and Papers in Linguistics

We'll consider how to approach term papers and theses in linguistics, and what sorts of topics to choose. You will find out how interesting it is to write in linguistics.

Career Options for Anglisten (non-teaching)

Ms Karolina Furmanczyk of the ZLL Career Service at the university: career options for students doing "fachwissenschaftliche" degrees.

Information on the wide range of careers available, plus how to get support in finding internships and placements while still at uni. The workshop will take place in German.

How to LPT

The Language Proficiency Test is the module exam at the end of the BM1/Basis1 modules. In this workshop, we'll look at an exam together, talk about preparation and exam strategies, and you can ask all your burning LPT questions!

Studying English as a recipient of BAföG

If you receive BAföG, you have to submit Formblatt 5 to the Studierendenwerk after your 4th semester. This form confirms that you studied English diligently/ according to our study regulations. In order for all this to go smoothly, please come to this workshop for advice, guidance, and answers to (more or less any) questions you might have about BAföG.

WEDNESDAY

How does this make sense?! Fachwissenschaften for Future Teachers

Have you ever wondered how a certain seminar or lecture in English studies is supposed to prepare you to be a good English teacher in the future? Have you ever heard teachers mutter "Forget about your studies - you don't need them in 'real' teaching life"? In this workshop, we would like to provide you with an opportunity to reflect on how your studies are, indeed (!), a meaningful step in your professionalisation as future awesome English teachers. Together, we will discuss some specific examples that show how much Fachwissenschaft there is in an English teacher's life and how Fachwissenschaft empowers you to change the world for the better. If anything, this workshop will provide you with the agency to make your studies meaningful for yourself.

How to B

Come join Brian to look at the individual programs of the BA in British and American Studies. Here you will have the opportunity to get information and ask questions about which courses, modules and exams you need to finish your bachelor program. Students in semester 2+ and those in the 2017 FsBs are also welcome!

How to Praxissemester (Sec. Schools / Primary Schools)

This Q&A workshop deals with the Praxissemester (for M.Ed. students). There will be an input phase in which we talk about important organizational aspects of the Praxissemester. After that, you will have time to pose any questions you may have concerning the English part of the Praxissemester (including VPS, BPS, RPS and the VRPS module as such).

How to FsB 2017 vs. FsB 2022

If you are in the FsB 2017 and are concerned or just curious about switching to the new 2022 FsBs, come join Brian to talk about how these two systems work. With the 2017 FsBs ticking off their final year (ending Sep 2026), you may just want to get that extra bit of info or certainty before the switch.

How to Write a BA Thesis (Literary and Cultural Studies and English Language Education (Fachdidaktik)

How to plan and approach your BA Thesis (Literary and Cultural Studies and ELE [Fachdidaktik]).

AMA with the Professors

Meet the professors - the people in charge of each subsection in British & American Studies. This is an opportunity to get an overview of the very wide range of topics that are taught in British and American Studies, and to learn more about the research focuses of each subsection.

And apart from the academic insights you'll gain, this is your chance to ask the professors anything, from their favourite book to their worst day at uni. This will be hosted by the Fachschaft who will also be there to break the ice!

How to English Week Winter '25/26

THURSDAY

How to Do Internationalisation@Home, Praxisstudien and Internationalisation

General information on how to fulfil the Internationalisation or Internationalisation at Home requirements for teaching degrees and Praxisstudien requirements for non-teaching degrees.

How to Basis3

The basic module 3 (short: Basis3) introduces you to the core areas of linguistics and sociolinguistics as well as the basics of empirical (socio-)linguistic research, which will enable you to conduct and present a small-scale linguistic research project at the end of the module.

In this workshop, we will break down the structure of the module, provide study tips for the two written exams, and shed some light on the module's student projects and poster presentations. For this, we will be joined by students who recently finished the module and are happy to share their posters and firsthand experiences with you. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to get to know the module's lecturers and receive answers to any Basis3 questions you might still have.

How to History Module (PM4/Profil2)

Most BA and M.Ed. students have to complete PM4 (old FSB)/PM2 (new FSB), the Histories module, with a 30-minute oral exam. We'll explain how this module and the oral exam work, and how you can most efficiently manage them.

Meet the Fachschaft

What is the Fachschaft and what does it do? And why should I care about their work? If you've asked yourself this, come "Meet the Fachschaft" on Thursday afternoon. Feel free to bring any questions and concerns.

How to English Drama Group

The English Drama Group provides an exciting opportunity for students to use their English outside of the classroom and at the same time introduces participants to the theory and practice of theatre. No prior stage experience required!

Emergency Office Hour (on Friday!)

For those of you with issues with joining classes in your first semester (or beyond), have a pleasant chat with Brian and find out how he can assist you. Spoiler alert: it's all going to be fine. Join via Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/2s4m29md

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Make sure to add the course to your schedule!:)



	Tuesday, 14th October	Wednesday, 15th October	Thursday, 16th October
10 12	How to Survive and Thrive in Your First Semester(s) (Cowan & Koch, X-E0-200) Career Advice for Non-Teachers (Furmanczyk, S1-117) Studying English as a Recipient of BAföG (Gramley, U2-217)	How to BA (Rozema, S1-124) How Does This Make Sense?! Fachwissenschaften for Future Teachers (Koch, Miede, Perlik, Schildhauer, Wagner, Y1-201)	How to Basis3 (Schröder & Zähres, H7) How to do Interkulturelle Kompetenzen, Int@Home, Internationalization and Praxisstudien (Koch, Louloudi, Steinitz, Zehne, X-E0-236)
12 14	How to LPT (Cowan, Li, Miede, Y1-202)	How to Praxissemester (Louloudi, Reeßing, Schildhauer, Zehne, X-E0-222)	How to History Module (PM4/Profil2) (Stock, S1-124, starts at 12:00)
14 16	How to Write Theses and Papers in Linguistics (Wentker, U2-240) Guided Tour around the City Centre of Bielefeld (Grünkemeier & Frey, outside of the old town hall) please register by Oct 10: https://tinyurl.com/3bdjpkes Registrations are binding	AMA with the Professors (all professors & Fachschaft, U7-205) How to FsB 2017 vs. FsB 2022 (Rozema, S1-144) How to write a BA thesis in Literary & Cultural Studies and ETE (Fachdidaktik) (Koch & Zehne, X-E0-226) Join the Mix & Mingle by on all three days (Starting from the Mix & Mingle by on all three days)	Meet the Fachschaft (Fachschaft, D3-139/141, from 3 p.m.) Emergency Office Hour (Rozema) Friday, Oct 17, starting at 5, via Zoom
16 18 18 20+x	(Grünkemeier & Andres) Monday, Oct 13, 14-16, X-E0-001	Game Night (Fachschaft, D2-152) (starting from 10 a.m.	English Drama Group Open Rehearsal (6 to 8 p.m., s.t.) (English Drama Group, V01-199)