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THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES & CULTURES
PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

For students studying on programme:	**BA (Hons) American Studies 4 Year Programme**
Level of study:	**Level 2**
Academic year of study:	**2026/27**
Programme Code:	**09327**
Plan Code:	**11806**
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Contact:	If you have any questions about this structure, please contact the programme administrators for English Literature, American Studies and Creative Writing: SALC.courseunits@manchester.ac.uk

Please note:
You have two compulsory course units totalling 40 credits. You make up the remaining 80 credits by choosing four optional course units. You may, if you wish, substitute 40 of those 80 credits with free-choice course unit(s).

You may take up to 20 credits of course units at a first year level.
You may **not** take any credits of course units at a third year level.

Ideally, you should have 60 credits in each semester, but when choosing the optional 80 credits you wish to take, you must ensure:

- you have no fewer than 50 credits in either semester;
- you have no more than 70 credits in either semester;
- you have checked timetable details to ensure that you do not have any clashes;

1: You will be automatically enrolled onto the following compulsory course units by your Programme Administrator

AMER20141	From Jamestown to James Brown: African-American History and Culture (semester 1)	20
AMER20331	American Cultural Studies (semester 1)	20

2: Choose **up to four** course units from List A (or substitute 20 or 40 credits (one or two course units) from List A with 20 or 40 credits of free choice – see Step 3 below)		**Minimum credits 40**	**Maximum credits 80**
AMER20072	American Film Studies (semester 2)		**20**
AMER20082	Cold War America, 1950-1991 (semester 2)		**20**
AMER20112	Work and Play in the USA, 1880-2020 (semester 2)		**20**
AMER20481	American Literature and Social Criticism, 1900-Present (semester 1)		**20**
AMER21001	American Civil War (semester 1)		**20**
AMER20492	Twentieth Century African American Literature (semester 2)		**20**

3: Choosing Free Choice

Alternatively, in discussion with your Academic Advisor, you may choose Free Choice units from one or more subjects. No more than 20 credits per year can be taken outside of the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures.

For free choice units available in the **School of Arts Languages and Cultures** please see:
Free Choice Units

A maximum of 20 credits can be taken as free choice outside of the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures.

For free choice units available from the **University College for Interdisciplinary Learning**, please see:
http://www.college.manchester.ac.uk/units/

For free choice units available from the **University Language Centre**, please see:
https://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/study/university-language-centre-leap-courses

For a full list of free choice units available in the University, please select the My Courses tab within My Manchester:
https://portal.manchester.ac.uk/uPortal/p/course-unit-info.ctf1/max/render.uP