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RENOVIERUNG DER KG IV BIBLIOTHEK

Ab dem 28. Juli bis voraussichtlich Anfang des Wintersemesters Mitte Oktober wird im 4. Bauabschnitt der gesamte Lesesaal renoviert und neu gestaltet.

Folgende Einschränkungen wird es für alle Benutzerinnen und Benutzer der Bibliothek geben:

- **Der Eingang zur Bibliothek über die Treppe wird ab dem 28. Juli geschlossen und ins Erdgeschoß verlegt:**
Unsere Infotheke wird provisorisch im Erdgeschoß nahe des vorübergehenden Eingangs eingerichtet.
Für die Renovierungszeit wird nur dieser Flügel der Bibliothek (Bereiche Geschichte, Osteurop. Geschichte, Politik, Soziologie) geöffnet sein.
Leider ist dadurch der Bereich Anglistik/Amerikanistik nicht für die Öffentlichkeit zugänglich!
Der gesamte Lesesaalbestand ist ebenfalls nicht zugänglich und teilweise ausgelagert.
- Für alle nicht zugänglichen Bereiche und Bestände gilt wie schon bisher:
Richten Sie Ihre Literaturwünsche aus diesen Bereichen bitte per Mail an kg4bib@ub.uni-freiburg.de. Wir legen Ihnen die Bücher an der Infotheke bereit bzw. leiten sie an Sie weiter.
Für die Studierenden werden wir diesen Service selbstverständlich auch weiterhin anbieten; die Bücher werden an unserer Infotheke deponiert.
- **Von Montag, 18. August bis Samstag, 30. August müssen wir die Bibliothek komplett schließen; ebenso vom 29. September bis zum 11. Oktober 2025.** Im August ist aus Brandschutzgründen eine zeitweilige Schließung vonnöten; Ende September/Anfang Oktober werden die alten Möbel in der gesamten Bibliothek durch neue Möbel ersetzt, außerdem müssen die ausgelagerten Bestände wieder eingeräumt werden. Diese Zeiten gelten mit der Voraussetzung, dass sich die Renovierungsarbeiten nicht verzögern.

SEMESTER BREAK

The semester break will last **from Sunday, July 28 until Sunday, October 12**. Teaching in the 2025/26 winter semester will begin on Monday, October 13. You can find an overview of semester dates and holidays [here](#).



BERATER:INNEN FOR FIRST-SEMESTER STUDENTS

Berater:innen for new First-Semester Students needed!

Do you still remember your first week at the university? And how great it was to have an older student show you the ropes, help you with choosing your courses and answer any questions you might have had?

Now you can be that person for the new first semester students!

We are looking for students of the English Department who would like to help out small groups of first semesters during the welcome week from October 6 to 10 (the week before the beginning of the teaching period). You will receive a briefing beforehand and will be paid a small financial compensation. If you are interested or have any questions, please write an email to Sophie Bantle (fachberatung@anglistik.uni-freiburg.de) **until September 15** at the latest.

INTERCULTURAL MENTORING PROGRAM

Dear Students,

Your experience matters – share it with new international students and make a lasting impact!

The **Intercultural Mentoring Program (ICM)** is looking for mentors for the **Winter Semester 25/26!** Connect with students from around the world, attend exclusive free events, and enhance your social skills. You will of course receive a certificate for successful participation as a mentor.

Ready to sign up?

Simply register here: <https://www.mentoring.uni-freiburg.de/intercultural/registration-mentors>

For more details on our team, events, and program, visit our website:

<https://www.mentoring.uni-freiburg.de/intercultural>

Don't miss the chance to make a difference – we look forward to having you on board!

Your ICM Team

STELLE

Pädagogische Assistenzkraft

Englisch-Studierende als pädagogische Assistenzkräfte an der Neunlindenschule gesucht!

Die Neunlindenschule, eine Gemeinschaftsschule in Ihringen (gut erreichbar mit dem Zug), sucht **pädagogische Assistenzkräfte zur Betreuung eines „English Corner“ im Rahmen des Selbstorganisierten Lernens in der Jahrgangsstufe 5.**

Die Aufgaben umfassen: zentrale Anlaufstelle für sprachlichen Input; gezieltes, inhaltliches Feedback zu Schüler*innenleistungen in der Fremdsprache; Unterstützung der Lernbegleiter*innen bei der fachlich ansprechenden Gestaltung der Lernumgebung.

Verdienst: 18-20 € brutto

Die Registrierung erfolgt über [LOBW UP](#): dort registrieren und die Neunlindenschule als Einsatzwunsch angeben. Zusätzlich zur Registrierung bittet die Neunlindenschule bei Interesse um Kontaktaufnahme mit der Schulleitung: hartmann@neunlindenschule.ihringen.de.

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

Interdisciplinary symposium of the Graduate School of Humanities

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Call for Participation:

Interdisciplinary symposium of the Graduate School of Humanities at the University of Freiburg | Thursday, November 20, 2025 | Liefmannhaus
PRESENTATIONS IN ENGLISH ARE WELCOME!

On Thursday, November 20, 2025, the Graduate School of Humanities at the University of Freiburg is organising an interdisciplinary doctoral student symposium.

The Graduate School of Humanities aims to support individual doctoral candidates in particular on their path to a successful doctorate. The symposium offers them the opportunity to present and discuss their projects, to receive helpful feedback, and to network with other doctoral candidates.

Doctoral candidates from all disciplines in the humanities, such as cultural and social sciences, are invited to apply to present at the symposium. The organisers explicitly welcome English-speaking PhDs and interested doctoral candidates from other universities in the Eucor network in order to encourage the supranational exchange between doctoral students.

Each presentation is scheduled to take approximately 30 minutes, 15 minutes of presentation and 15 minutes of discussion. The talk can either present the dissertation project in general or discuss a specific aspect. Please remember to introduce your research question and include an overview of the thesis structure so your talk can be placed within the context of your larger dissertation project. The presentations can be held in German or English. If presentations are held in German, the slides should be in English.

The symposium will take place as an in-person event at the Albert-Ludwigs-University Freiburg. If required, it is possible to offer a hybrid format. If possible, please indicate this requirement along with your reasons in your application. Participants must cover their own travel expenses; a refund can be applied for via one's home university (international office). Refreshments will be provided during the symposium. Afterwards, all participants are warmly invited to join the networking dinner.

If interested please send an email with a brief abstract (max. 100 words) on the planned lecture topic and a biographical note to weertje.wilms@germanistik.uni-freiburg.de by 2 October 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact the Graduate School spokesperson Weertje Wilms (weertje.wilms@germanistik.uni-freiburg.de).

We look forward to your registration!

The Graduate School of Humanities is pleased to share with you the **Call for Participation for their Interdisciplinary symposium on Thursday, November 20, 2025.**

Interested doctoral candidates from all disciplines in the humanities, such as cultural and social sciences, can apply by sending a short abstract to

weertje.wilms@germanistik.uni-freiburg.de by **Thursday, October 2, 2025.**

CALL FOR PAPERS

Hush! Practicing Silence in Literature and Culture

The FRIAS conference "Hush! Practicing Silence in Literature and Culture," organized by Anne Rügemeier and Philomena Wolf, takes place in Freiburg from April 15-17, 2026. The conference seeks to explore various forms and affordances of silence in Anglophone literatures and media, as well as the political dimension of silence and silencing. In addition, the conference includes interdisciplinary perspectives on silence from psychology, religious studies, and other disciplines. Confirmed keynote speakers are Nathalie Aghoro (LMU Munich), Anne Koch (Freiburg), Kate McLoughlin (Oxford), and Barbara Postema (Groningen).

The organizers invite scholars at all career stages, and especially early career researchers, to submit an abstract of no more than 300 words and a 50-word biography to hush@frias.uni-freiburg.de by September 15. Notification of acceptance will be sent by October 15, 2025.

We invite proposals for papers that engage with questions such as the following:

- Through which strategies is silence conveyed in literature? What are the interpretive or emotional effects of its manifestation in texts?
- How can we recognize and uncover historical, archival, and canonical silences within literary history and criticism?
- How is silence rendered visible and audible across different (audio-)visual media, and how do material and formal choices shape audience perception and responsiveness?
- How are the temporal and material/spatial dimensions of silence conceptualized and practiced in cultural, religious, or social rituals and artistic performances?
- When does silence constitute an act of political agency or resistance? Under what conditions does silence amount to complicity?
- What are the therapeutic dimensions of silence in the context of mental health? How can silence contribute to psychological well-being?
- How do silence and silencing manifest in digital spaces such as social media?
- What is the role of silence in mediating power relations? What is its role in political discourse?

For more information on the conference, see [the conference website](#).

READING GROUPS



READING GAMES

No Session in September

Reading Games (as in "we are reading games," not as if a series of gamified reading sessions) is a book club for video games instead of books.

Reading Games is a discussion group meeting on a monthly basis to talk about digital games, examining them from an interdisciplinary perspective, including literary and cultural studies approaches. The meetings take place **between 20:00-21:03 pm on the second Tuesday of the month via Discord (online)** and are open to all students, faculty members, and external guests. Participants are expected to complete a playthrough of the selected game in advance of each session.

Reading Games will **take a break** during the semester break. It will continue with new games to discuss in the upcoming winter term.

For more information or questions on how to access the Discord server, please contact [Kübra Aksay](#). You can find past and upcoming sessions on [the Reading Games website](#).

CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE BOOK CLUB

Schedule for the 25/26 Winter Term

The Contemporary Literature Book Club is a meeting group intended for the discussion of contemporary literature in the English language. Students, faculty, and staff are always welcome to join us.

Contemporary Literature Book Club

Winter Term 2025/26

16 October
Michelle de Kretser, *Theory & Practice* (2024)

20 November
Torrey Peters, *Stag Dance* (2025)

18 December
Ferdia Lennon, *Glorious Exploits* (2024)

22 January
Xiaolu Guo, *Call Me Ishmaelle* (2025)

Thursdays, 2-3 pm (s.t.)
KG I, Room 102

The Contemporary Literature Book Club is a meeting group intended for the discussion of contemporary literature in the English language. From students to faculty, all are welcome to join us.
Organizers: Prof. Dr. Eva von Czizren & Sophia Phoinomenos Wolf, M.A.

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The Book Club will **take a break** during the semester break. It will continue in the winter term with the following schedule:

October 16 | Michelle de Kretser, *Theory & Practice* (2024)

November 20 | Torrey Peters, *Stag Dance* (2025)

December 18 | Ferdia Lennon, *Glorious Exploits* (2024)

January 22 | Xiaolu Guo, *Call Me Ishmaelle* (2025)

More information on the selected books as well as an overview of past sessions can be found on the [English Department's website](#)

Wishing you much rest and relaxation during the semester break!