

## Overview:

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| Dates                   | July 9 <sup>th</sup> - 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2016  |
| Schedule                | Courses Mon - Fri,<br>weekends off  |
| Language of Instruction | English   |
| ECTS                    | 5 to 8 ECTS per course  |
| Target Group            | Undergraduate students  |
| Registration            | Please register online by<br>March 1 <sup>st</sup> at the latest.   |
| Fees                    | € 100 registration fee plus<br>€ 25 per course. Additional<br>costs for accommodation<br>and leisure activities may<br>apply. |
| Accommodation           | If you are looking for<br>accommodation, feel free to<br>contact us!  |

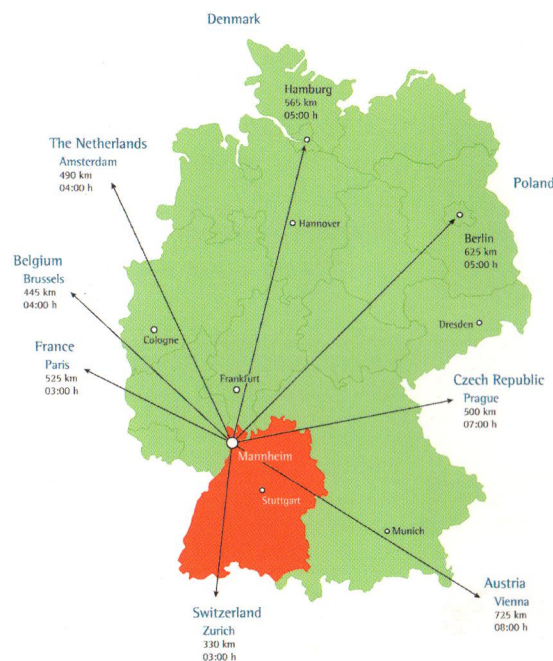


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LANGUAGE  
&  
IDENTITY:

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# SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES

## Good Reasons for Participating:

- Learn from renowned international professors
- Earn credits during your semester break
- Study at a top-ranked university located in a baroque palace
- Develop intercultural competence
- Improve your language skills
- Meet students from all around the world
- Participate in leisure activities like regional excursions, a welcome and farewell party, barbecues, and sports activities
- Obtain a certificate of attendance and foster your career opportunities



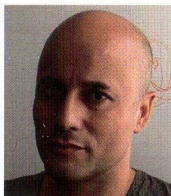
# SUMMER SCHOOL



**Language Origins: Evolution, Genetics (DNA), and the Brain**  
Dr. Armin Schwegler  
University of California



**The Language of 'American' Identity**  
Dr. Elizabeth A. Duclos-Orsello,  
Associate Professor  
Salem State University



**Language and Interculturality**  
Dr. Gregory Lobo,  
Associate Professor  
Universidad de los Andes



**Constructing Multilingual Identities – A Discursive Perspective**  
Prof. Dr. Grit Liebscher  
University of Waterloo



**Pidgin and Creole Languages and Identity**  
Prof. Dr. Eva Eckkrammer  
Universität Mannheim

# JULY 2016

Explores the origins of human language. Examines pertinent techniques (reconstruction) and addresses related questions, including: is our language faculty inborn (i.e., genetically encoded)? Can brain imaging and population genetics research help to unlock this mystery of human evolution?

We will explore how people have discussed and represented their „American-ness“ and/or their rejection of the same with a particular focus on language. Course materials will draw from interdisciplinary fields mixed with explorations of links to Mannheim itself.

Arguing that different linguistic and symbolic systems of meaning correspond to different socio-cultural identifications within national borders, we explore the notion of interculturality in terms of symbolic interaction that is intranational, not simply international.

In this seminar, we will read about, analyze and discuss multilingual interactions and experiences as well as discursive constructions of multilingual identities (e.g. in the media). Students will get a chance to examine multilingual identities in Mannheim and in their own chosen materials.

Our focus in this seminar is on the very specific circumstances underlying the genesis and evolution of Pidgin and Creole languages as well as their struggle for codification and functionalization in order to gain a better understanding of linguistic identities in Creole speaking areas.

