## Reading list for American Literature (1620-1919), 7,5 hp

(this list is a contingent guide: the titles are negotiable; **the total selection should be about 3000 pages**)

Novels:

Read SEVEN of the following authors

Brown, Charles Brockden, Wieland Chopin, Kate. The Awakening Cooper, James Fenimore. (one of) the Leatherstocking sequence Crane, Stephen. The Red Badge of Courage Dreiser, Theodore, Sister Carrie Hawthorne, Nathaniel. The Scarlet Letter James, Henry. The Portrait of a Lady Jewett, Sarah Orne . The Country of the Pointed Firs Melville, Herman. *Moby Dick* Norris, Frank. The Octopus Poe, Edgar Allan. The Narrative of Arthur Gordon Pym Sinclair, Upton. The Jungle Stoddard, Elizxabeth . The Morgesons Stowe, Harriet Beecher. Uncle Tom's Cabin Twain, Mark. The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn Welty, Eudora Delta Wedding Wharton, Edith. The Age of Innocence

Short stories: at least 4 different authors:

Bierce, Ambrose. "Incident at Owl Creek"
Crane, Stephen. "The Open Boat" "The Blue Hotel"
Davis, Rebecca Harding. "Life in the Iron-Mills"
Gilman, C.P. "The Yellow Wallpaper"
Harris, Joel Chandler. Uncle Remus Tales
Harte, Brett. "The Luck of Roaring Camp"
Hawthorne, Nathaniel. "Rappucini's Daughter" "Young Goodman Brown"
Irving, Washington. "Rip Van Winkle" "Legend of Sleepy Hollow"
James, Henry. "Daisy Miller" "the Beast in the Jungle" "the Turn of the Screw"
Melville, Herman "Benito Cereno" "Billy Budd" "Bartleby the Scrivener"
Poe, E.A. "The Purloined Letter" "Fall of the House of Usher" "Ligea"

<u>Selections/extracts from six of the following authors, including at least two full-length</u> texts.

Adams, Henry. *The Education of Henry Adams* Bradford, John. "Of Plymouth Plantation" Crevecort, J. Hector St. John. "Letters from an American Farmer" Douglass, Frederick. *Narrative of the Life of an American Slave*  Dubois, W.E.B. *The Souls of Black Folk*Edwards, Jonathan. "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God" "Images or Shadows of Divine Things"
Emerson, R.W. "Self Reliance;" "Nature;" "The Poet;" "Experience."
Franklin, Benjamin. *The Autobiography*Fuller, Margaret. "The Great Lawsuit"
Jacobs, Harriet. Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl
Jefferson, Thomas. *The Autobiography; Notes on the State of Virginia*Mather, Cotton. "Magnalia Christi Americana"
Paine, Thomas. *Common Sense; The Crisis*Rowlandson, Mary. "A Narrative of the Captivity..."
Thoreau, Henry David. *Walden*Truth, Sojourner *The Narrative of*...
Winthrop, John "A Model of Christian Charity"

## Poetry

a selection from each of the following poets; from five poets, at least thirty pp.

Bradstreet, Anne; Crane, Stephen; Freneau, Philip; Taylor, Edward; Dickinson Emily; Longfellow, H.W.; Emerson Ralph Waldo; Poe, Edgar Allen; Wheatley, Phyllis; Whitman, Walt.

Contemporary Literature Theory & Criticism

Emerson, R.W. "The Poet" Poe, E.A. "The philosophy of composition" James, Henry. *The Art of Fiction* 

Literature History & Theory

Ruland, Richard & Malcom Bradbury. From Puritanism to Postmodernism.

Selections from 3 recent titles, selected after consultation.