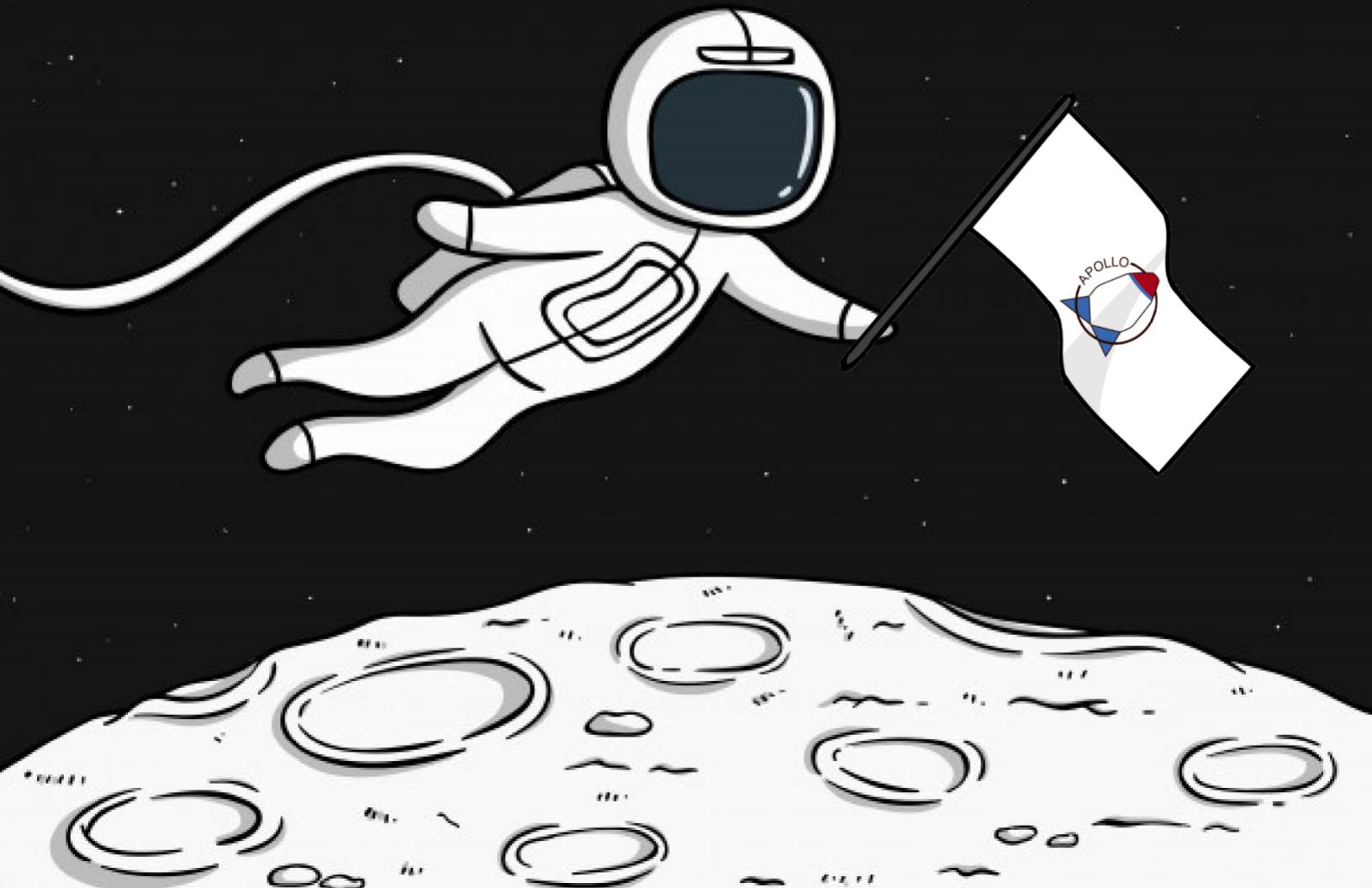


# English

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Orientation Week Programme 2022



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## Welcome by Dominic Rainsford

On May 1st, 2019, at the annual Aarhus English Department student Revy (tragically postponed in 2020, 2021 and 2022 due to Covid-19 and a subsequent loss of momentum – but soon to return!), the student playing me (female, as always; and, as always, very good) gave a speech which ended with the claim that our Department is the Best. I can't remember whether 'I' said that it was the best Department of English or the best Department of Anything; the best in Denmark or the best in the world. But anyway – whatevs – Nothing could be Nearer to the Truth!

You have definitely made the right choice in coming to us. Aarhus is a seriously world-class university and Aarhus English has a great tradition, going right back to the founding of AU in 1928. We are a really big Department, with lots going on. Your degree programme is divided three ways between Literature, Linguistics, and History/Society/Culture/(and Media). But you will find that the Department also includes degree programmes in Business Communication and Intercultural Studies, meaning that our routines and practices are always getting hit by fresh ideas. We have more than 1,000 students on our books at any one time. You will be taught by internationally known researchers from Canada, the Czech Republic, Germany, India, Ireland, the UK, the USA, and even Denmark. You will get to meet exchange students from an even wider range of countries. You will hear many accents, and experience English as a truly spectacular set of cultures: from Beowulf to Beyoncé and beyond ...

The Department is known for hard work, team spirit, and a sense of fun. This is partly thanks to the staff (both academic and administrative), but at least as much down to the students: whether they are treating us to the ridicule that we richly deserve, at the Revy; running a host of activities throughout the year, in a range of student organisations; directly shaping Departmental policy in the *Uddannelsesnævn*; or welcoming new recruits, as you are about to experience, at the beginning of the academic year.

Obviously, we hope that 2022-23 will be a fairly normal academic year, not disrupted by Covid or any other nastiness. But we are living in a period where the world has been turned upside down and twisted about, by Covid, by resurgent debates about gender, race, class and species, a rapidly shifting balance of geopolitical power, and, behind it all, the global crisis of the Environment. Do things like literature and linguistics matter alongside all of this? Yes they do. More than ever.

So, congratulations, thanks for coming, and I look forward to seeing you during the introductory events and in many years to come!

Dominic Rainsford, Head of Department,  
Professor of Literature in English,  
President of the Danish Association of  
English Studies, General Editor  
of *Dickens Quarterly*, and UK record-holder  
(since 1998) in the *Kajkagekast*

# Welcome to BA students

Dear new BA student,

We are very happy to welcome you to English at Aarhus University. As a student at the English Department, we are sure you have some amazing years ahead of you – and we are here to give you the best possible start.

We are the ones responsible for the organisation of the orientation week 2022 and we have been working since January to prepare a great programme for your orientation week – your first days inside the red walls of Nobelparken. During these days you will meet your new fellow students and classmates – and you will have many opportunities to get to know each other at the social events we have arranged for you throughout the week. You will also get to know your tutors and get the possibility to ask them any questions you might have regarding life at the English Department.

Additionally, you will hear presentations from students and professors which will give you an idea of the courses you will attend during your first two semesters at English. We have also arranged for a range of different internal organisations to come and tell you about all the other things you can get involved in when you are a student at the

English Department. You will also hear presentations from external organisations such as student counsellors, exchange etc.

The daytime programme is very relevant for you to get to know your courses, IT etc., whereas the evening programme is more social. The orientation week is voluntary, and you can attend whatever part of the programme you wish. As a university student it is your own responsibility to know how to get to class, work the IT, purchase course materials, and how to find your exam dates. These are all things we will help you figure out during the orientation week.

We hope you will find the pamphlet useful and prepare you for your years to come at the English Department. We, and your tutors, are ready to guide and help you from the very first day of the orientation week!

If you have any questions, special requirements or simply want to get in touch with us before the Orientation week, please do not hesitate to write us via: [apolloengelsk@gmail.com](mailto:apolloengelsk@gmail.com)

All the best,  
Your 2022 Head Tutors, Tine Jensen,  
Majbritt Grønbæk, Sebastian Kristensen  
and Sofie Andersen

# Welcome to BA minor and CCE

Dear Minor and CCE students,

We are delighted to welcome you to the English department at Aarhus University! We hope that as many of you as possible take this opportunity to take part in the Orientation week and we are looking forward to seeing you all! As more experienced students, you might be telling yourselves: "I know what this is all about; I don't need to show up". However, you will miss valuable information, as the English Department tends to be a bit different when it comes to the structure of classes, exams, assignments, and its social organisations.

You will not only miss important information about studying at the English Department. The Orientation Week is also a great way to get to know the other minor and CCE students, as well as major students. We highly recommend you get to know the people you are going to spend the next two semesters with.

This is why we put together a programme consisting of both activities just for the minor and CCE students, such as breakfast and different hangouts, and activities where

you will be mixed with the major students such as the orientation race on Tuesday.

No matter where you are coming from, you will be pleased to learn about the many different academic and social organisations we offer at the English Department. There is something for everyone, like our own lecture society (ELS) or the Friday Bar (Esperanto). Further information can be found in the pamphlet and during the Orientation Week.

We hope you will find the pamphlet useful and prepare you for your time at the English Department. We, and your tutors, are ready to guide and help you from the very first day of orientation week!

If you have any questions, special requirements or simply want to get in touch with us before the Orientation week, please do not hesitate to write us via: [apolloengelsk@gmail.com](mailto:apolloengelsk@gmail.com)

All the best,  
 Your 2022 Head Tutors, Tine Jensen,  
 Majbritt Grønbæk, Sebastian Kristensen  
 and Sofie Andersen

## Meet your Head Tutors



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## Practical Information

On your first day, we will do registrations which will take place at Jens Chr. Skous Vej 2, on Monday August 22<sup>nd</sup> in front of building 1485 (see photo below for reference).



If you find it difficult to locate the building, we recommend using the app **AU Find**, which is free and available for both IOS and Android, and it is easy to use as well!

If you plan on using public transportation to plan your trip to Nobelparken, get off the bus at the stop Aarhus Universitet/Nordre Ringgade or Aarhus Universitet/Randersvej. If you are using the letbane to get to the university, the stop is Aarhus Universitet.

You can also bike or drive to the university. For parking your car, you can only park for four hours at a time and there are limited spaces available. It is likely to be more busy than usual due to the new semester start and several orientation weeks being conducted at the same time.

### Important dates during your first semester

<b>22-26 August</b>	<b>Orientation Week</b>
<b>29 August</b>	Semester Start
<b>14 September at 14.15-16</b>	RUS reception for BA, Minor and CCE
<b>14-16 October</b>	Hytetur
<b>2 December</b>	Yule Ball

## Practicalities of the Orientation Week

The Orientation Week Programme will be conducted both indoors and outdoors with different activities. On the days we will be outside, we recommend that you bring your own lunch and snacks as we have not scheduled longer breaks to order food. If you still want to order food, you are welcome to do so, however, we ask you to make sure that you will be back on time so the programme will not be delayed. On the days when we are indoors, you will be able to buy a meal at the canteen, but you are more than welcome to bring your own lunch from home.

**Please dress according to the weather forecast on the days when we are outside.**

## Facebook Group

We would also like for you to join this year's Facebook group (AU Engelsk 2022). This can be done via this link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/377897927593768/>

This is our main way of contacting you during the orientation week and important information will be posted there both during and after the orientation week itself.

If you do not have or do not use Facebook, get in contact with one of your Head Tutors so we can notify you if there are any last-minute changes to the programme.

## Contact

There are several ways to get into contact with us before and during the Orientation Week. You can contact us in the Facebook Group we mentioned in the section above, you can send us an e-mail at [apolloengelsk@gmail.com](mailto:apolloengelsk@gmail.com) or contact one of your head tutors directly by using the contact information provided in the section "Meet Your Head Tutors" on page 6.

## Expenses during the Orientation Week

Being a university student means that you will be eligible to receive SU. Many of you will just have moved to Aarhus when it is time for the Orientation week and being concerned about the financial part is only natural.

Unlike your youth education, as a university student you will have to purchase books and course materials which might be on your curriculum. Your official and final curriculum will be visible through Brightspace on the individual course pages. The course books will be the most expensive things you purchase during the Orientation Week, but as mentioned in "Curriculum and Books" on page 20, there are ways to buy the books for a cheaper price.

All activities between 8-16 in the Orientation Week programme are completely free to take part in. The only thing during our daytime programme that could cost you any money is if you choose to buy your lunch on campus in the Nobel canteen.

During the evening programme, we have arranged social events which can include expenses in form of dinner and the like. On Monday evening, we have arranged a dinner for all new students and tutors at Studenterhus Aarhus (the rest of the evenings you have to eat from home).

The price for dinner is 125 DKK, which needs to be transferred to:

Reg. nr.: 7268 Kontonr.: 0001221742

**Before Friday August 19th.**

Please write your full name with the transfer and if you have any dietary restrictions (allergies, vegan, vegetarian, etc.).

No matter your financial situation, we can assure you that you will be able to take part in the Orientation Week programme. If you are worried, please contact one of your Head Tutors!

## Alcohol Policy

We are complying with the university's alcohol policy which states that there is no alcohol involved during the daytime programme (before 16:00).

We have striven towards creating a programme where everybody feels comfortable and welcome, and where you can participate in the activities no matter if you drink alcohol or not.

## Important to Bring

On all days you will need to bring something to drink, perhaps some snacks and what you will be having for lunch (or buy lunch and something to drink in the canteen). It is a good idea to bring lunch from home for the Orientation Race Tuesday as you won't be guaranteed time to stop and buy food.

**Wednesday, we ask you to bring your computer** as we will be introducing the wi-fi, websites you will use during your studies and more!

The party on Friday evening will involve dressing up. **The theme is 2000/2010's.** It is optional to dress up but we hope that you will do so with us!

# Orientation Week Programme\*: BA students

## MONDAY 22/8

9.30-10.00: Registration in build. 1485 - 123 (Jens Chr. Skous Vej 2)  
10-10.30: Welcome by Dominic Rainsford, Head of Department, and Head Tutors  
10.30-12.30: Meet your seminar groups

### **12.30-13.00: LUNCH BREAK**

13.00-15.00: Introduction to Nobelparken

**Evening:** 18.00-00.00: Dinner and hygge at Studenterhus Aarhus, Nordre Ringgade 3

## TUESDAY 23/8

09.00-09.30: Meet up at Mølleparken  
09.30-12.00: Orientation Race around the city

### **12.00-12.30: LUNCH BREAK**

12.30-14.30: Orientation Race around the city  
14.30-15.00: Meet back up in groups at Mølleparken  
**Evening:** 20.00-?: Party at Guldhornene

## WEDNESDAY 24/8

10.00-12.00: Breakfast with your Seminar Group and IT-Intro – Remember your computer!

### **12.00-12.30: BREAK**

12.30-15.00: Presentations from external Student Organisations and the like  
**Evening:** No evening programme Wednesday!

## THURSDAY 25/8

09.00-10.45: Brain Box 1: Presentations by students and professors in build. 1485 - 123

### **10.45-11.00: BREAK**

11.00-12.00: Brain Box 2: Quiz

### **12.00-12.30: LUNCH BREAK**

12.30-13.30: Introduction to study groups  
13.30-15.00: Presentations from internal Student Organisations and the like  
**Evening:** 20.00-?: Board Game Night at Studenterbaren, Nordre Ringgade 3

## FRIDAY 26/8

09.00-10.00: Exchange Box w. Ann Carroll-Bøgh and students abroad in build. 1441 - 112

10.00-11.00: Introduction to the Library

### **11.00-11.30: LUNCH BREAK**

11.30-12.00: And the winner is ...! in build. 1441 - 112

**Evening:** 20.00-02.00: Theme Party “Dress as in 2000/2010” in Esperanto build. 1482 - 147

\*The programme can be subject to change – stay up to date on Facebook or ask!

# Orientation Week Programme\*: BA Minor and CCE

## MONDAY 22/8

9.30-10.00: Registration in build. 1485 - 123 (Jens Chr. Skous Vej 2)

10-10.30: Welcome by Dominic Rainsford, Head of Department, and Head Tutors

10.30-12.30: Meet the other Minor and CCE students

### **12.30-13.00: LUNCH BREAK**

13.00-15.00: Introduction to Nobelparken

**Evening:** 18.00-00.00: Dinner and hygge at Studenterhus Aarhus, Nordre Ringgade 3

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14.30-15.00: Meet back up in groups at Mølleparken

**Evening:** 20.00-?: Party at Guldhornene

## WEDNESDAY 24/8

You have the day and evening off!

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### **12.00-12.30: LUNCH BREAK**

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13.30-15.00: Presentations from internal Student Organisations and the like

**Evening:** 20.00-?: Board Game Night at Studenterbaren, Nordre Ringgade 3

## FRIDAY 26/8

10.00-11.30: Breakfast with your fellow Minor and CCE students

11.30-12.30: And the winner is ...! in build. 1441 - 112

**Evening:** 20.00-02.00: Theme Party “Dress as in 2000/2010” in Esperanto build. 1482 - 147

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## Meet Your Tutors



Agnes Bork (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Amalie Ditlevsen (9<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Andrea Mellerup (9<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Anne-Sofie Lybæk Jensen (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Emil Poulsen (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Emma Hove Petersen (9<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Esra Lund (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Frederik Normann (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Frederikke Baunbæk Larsen (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Freja Kjærby (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Ida Kibsgaard (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Laura Skauge Hartelius (7<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Louise Reinwald (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Maiken Thorsager Jensen (7<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Mathias Lamhauge (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Michelle Aagaard (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Minna Petersen (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Nanna Mikkelsen (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Sarah Moslund (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Signe Schmidt-Larsen (5<sup>th</sup> Semester)



Simon Lund (3<sup>rd</sup> Semester)



Vibe Falkenhald (7<sup>th</sup> Semester)

# Useful Locations

## Studenterhus Aarhus

Studenterhus Aarhus is a student organisation for all students in higher education in Aarhus. They are situated in Studenternes Hus and run Studenterbaren, The Student Café, the beautiful Yellow Terrace and Stakladen.

**Address:** Nordre Ringgade 3, 8000 Aarhus C

## Esperanto Friday Bar

Esperanto is the Friday Bar for the various language studies at Aarhus University – including English! It is a place for everyone, whether you want to play a board game or just enjoy an end-of-the-week beer. They are usually open from 16.00-23.59 each Friday.

**Address:** Jens Chr. Skous Vej 4, 8000 Aarhus C, building 1482, room 147

## Det Kgl. Bibliotek

The Royal Danish Library is the biggest library at Aarhus University. They accommodate things like the library garden, a multifunctional room with i.e. massage chairs and table tennis, a really good canteen and lots of reading rooms and study zones. They are open from 8.00-18.00 Monday to Friday and 10.00-16.00 on Saturdays.

**Address:** Victor Albecks Vej 1, 8000 Aarhus C

## SU Office

The SU office can help you with any questions regarding SU applications, taking leave, extra monthly grants and getting your SU with you when studying abroad. They have office hours Monday, Tuesday,

Thursday and Friday from 9.00-12.00, and you can find their contact information via: [studerende.au.dk/su/kontakt](http://studerende.au.dk/su/kontakt)

**Address:** Frederik Nielsen's Vej 5, 8000 Aarhus C, building 1448

## Jane's Office

If you ever feel completely lost and don't know where to look for an answer regarding your studies, exams or anything else connected to the university, you can always ask the English Department's best secretary, Jane Lücke Didriksen. If she doesn't know the answer, she will most likely be able to guide you to whoever can help you.

**Address:** Jens Chr. Skous Vej 4, 8000 Aarhus C, building 1481, room 439

## Nobelparken's Canteen

This is the canteen closest to where you will be doing most of your studies. They serve various dishes every day. Their opening hours are 8.00-14.00 Monday to Friday.

**Address:** Jens Chr. Skous Vej 4, 8000 Aarhus C, building 1481



# Studying at the English Department

## 1st Semester Courses

During your first semester, you will have three courses: Literature in English 1, English Linguistics 1 and History, Society and Culture 1. In this section, some of your professors from each course will introduce the subject to you.

During your first semester, your studies will be structured into a 2-hour lecture, as well as a 3-hour seminar in each of your courses every week. Every hour you will have a 15-minute break. At the English department, we work with the academic quarter, which means that if your seminar or lecture is set to take place from 8, it will begin at 8.15, likewise, if your lecture or seminar is set to take place at 12, it will begin at 12.15 and so on. However, it is still a good idea to show up in advance so you can get your favourite seat. You can check your schedule at: [mitstudie.au.dk](http://mitstudie.au.dk)

### **History Society and Culture 1: The United Kingdom, Ireland and the Commonwealth (Mark Eaton and Sara Dybris McQuaid)**

The aim of this course is to expand on your knowledge of the history, society and culture of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (UK), the Republic of Ireland, as well as of selected aspects of British imperial history and the contemporary Commonwealth, with a particular focus on Canada. You will draw on primary and secondary sources – just as you have been doing in the Gymnasium. This course aims to improve your ability to assess and interpret various political, economic, social and cultural processes in the development of the UK and Ireland as well as in relation to selected Commonwealth topics. Furthermore, this course is linked to the Literature course in the second semester, namely ‘Literature in English 2: Literature in time’. You will start to see clear parallels between the two courses in the second semester. Therefore, it is a very good idea to take good notes, not only because these will be very useful for the ‘Literature in time’ course, but also to achieve a greater understanding of the many diverse topics in this course.

The exam will be a 7-days exam. It will take the form of a set take-home assignment, which will require the students to answer 1 out of a selection of 4-5 questions in 5-7 standard pages.

## **Literature in English 1: Form and Genre (Tabish Khair)**

The objective of this course is to give you a knowledge of major aspects of literature, literary genres, and literary analysis with special reference to literature in English. Furthermore, it will provide you with the ability to apply this knowledge to the oral and written analysis and discussion of specific literary texts. Last but not least it will also provide you with competence in critical thinking and argumentation in a wide range of contexts. You will be working with a broad selection of British, American and postcolonial texts from various periods, and genres including poetry, prose fiction and plays, tragedy and comedy. The knowledge and competences acquired in this course are a good base for the next literature course to come, which was also mentioned previously in relation to History, society and culture – again you will see links between the two courses when you reach ‘Literature 2 – Literature in time’. From Gymnasium, you have been used to strict rules about classroom participation. Furthermore, you have probably heard that it is no longer a requirement at the university. This is the case for some of the courses, even though we would strongly advise you to participate in those too. However, for the course in Literature classroom participation is a prerequisite for taking the exam.

The exam will take form of a written take-home assignment on a topic of the student’s choice of 5-7 standard pages – the topic of course has to be relevant to the academic content of the course and you need an approval by the course teacher. Since it is a topic of your own choice it is a good idea to think topics through as you read along the semester.

## **English Linguistics 1: Levels of Language (Ocke-Schwen Bohn and Sten Vikner)**

In this course you will be familiarized with phonetics, phonology, morphology, semantics and syntax of the English language. The course has two sections, namely Phonetics and Phonology and Morphology, Semantics and Syntax. In Phonetics and Phonology, you will be introduced to the description and analysis of the phonetic properties of the sounds of English and of the sound systems of the main variants of English. This will most likely be something you have not been introduced to before. In Morphology, Semantics and Syntax you will encounter aspects you have learned in the Gymnasium. This part is focused on the meaning of words, the word structure, and the structure of English sentences.

The exam takes the form of a written exam under supervision that includes questions on English phonetics, phonology, morphology, semantics and syntax. The duration of the exam will be 5 hours and no materials are permitted for the exam. Therefore, we will strongly advise you to show up for the lectures, seminars, and instructor sessions, since you learn by doing and practicing.

## Curriculum and Books

We recommend that you don't buy your books before the Orientation Week and buy them at semester start when you will have access to the complete curriculum set by your professors. During the Orientation Week, your tutors will help you find your books and take you to "Stakbogladen", where you will be guaranteed to find everything you need.

### **Booklist\***

#### History Society and Culture 1

- Compendium of Sources for History, Society and Culture 1: United Kingdom, Ireland and the Commonwealth 2022 (available at Stakbogladen).
- Thomsen, Robert and Sarah Dybris McQuaid (Eds.) (2017) *Britain Today: Uncertain Pathways to the Future*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. Copenhagen: Hans Reitzel.

#### Literature in English 1

- Abrams, M. H. and Geoggrey Galt Harpham. *A Glossary of Literary Terms*. 10<sup>th</sup> ed. Wadsworth-Cengage, 2012. ISBN: 978-0495906599 (or the latest edition).
- Dominic Rainsford. *Literature in English: How and Why*. 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Routledge, 2020. ISBN: 978-0367228866.
- Stephen Greenblatt, Gen. Ed., *Norton Anthology of English Literature: Major Authors*. 10<sup>th</sup> ed. Vols 1 and 2, New York: Norton, 2019. ISBN: 9780393603118.
- Baym, Nina, et al., eds. *Norton Anthology of American Literature*. Shorter 9<sup>th</sup> ed. Vols 1 and 2. New York: Norton, 2017. ISBN: 9780393264517.
- Spiegelman, Art. *The Complete Maus*. London: Penguin, 2003. ISBN: 978-0141014081.
- Shakespeare, William, *Midsummer Night's Dream*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2003. ISBN: 9780521532471.
- Austen, Jane. *Pride and Prejudice*. Ed. Donald Gray & Mary Favret. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. New York: Norton, 2016. ISBN: 978-0393264883.

#### English Linguistics 1

- Arts, Bas. 2011. *Oxford Modern English Grammar*. Oxford: Oxford University Press. ISBN: 978-0-19-953319-0.
- Haegeman, Liliane, and Jacqueline Guéron. 1999. *English Grammar: A Generative Perspective*. Oxford: Blackwell. ISBN: 978-0631188391.

**\*Please note that the booklist can be subject to change. Your professors can change the booklist before semester start, so when you choose to buy your books, please check the curriculum provided on Brightspace, which will have the complete lists.**

## Where can I buy my books?

- **Stakbogladen** is the university bookstore where you are sure to be able to find all of your course books. They make sure to order the right editions and the right books for each of your courses. Students get a 10% discount when they show their student card. It is the easiest place to get your books. Stakbogladen usually has a book package with all of the books for your courses in a bag at a discount. Stakbogladen is located at Frederik Nielsens Vej 4, 8000 Aarhus C.
- It is also an option to buy your books **online**. Here, [saxo.com](#) and [bookdepository.com](#) have most of your course books at decent prices. If you order your books with another student, you can split the delivery costs. The books might take a little longer to get to you as many students are ordering books for university at the same time as you.
- You can also buy your books **used**, usually in fairly good conditions and for a good price, depending on the state and edition of the books. At the English Department, we have a group named **Books for Sale (English Department, Aarhus University)** on Facebook, where many students sell and buy their books.

The costs for books amount to around **2000 DKK**, so be sure to save up around that amount. This might seem like a lot to spend on books for your first semester, however, you will need most of them for your second semester as well. You also don't need to buy all of the books straight away – check your lesson plan and see which books you need for each week!



## Libraries

You may want to borrow books for your exams or other things during the semester. At Nobelparken, we have the Nobel Library, where you will find nice librarians ready to help you find all the books you need. You also have the option to go to Det Kgl. Bibliotek, where you will find great places to study, a canteen with delicious meals, and all the books you could dream of. You can only enter the libraries during their opening times.

The library is an academic library, which offers you online as well as physical access to academic literature and information. All students have access to this. For more information about the AU library, visit: [library.au.dk](http://library.au.dk).

In the near vicinity of the library, there are study spaces accessible 24/7. These include reading rooms, study carrels, book scanning, printing and group work rooms. After the normal opening hours of the university, you only need your study card to access these areas.

## AU studypedia

[AU Studypedia](#) is an academic tool available for use during the entirety of your education. On studypedia you can find a lot of good advice and tools to help you be a university student, e.g., study habits, techniques to take notes, the formalities of writing papers etc. AU Studypedia has a whole section catered towards new students where you can find exercises and tips on how to get started as a university student, look at [AU Studypedia for new students](#).

## Places to study

At Nobelparken, there are many locations for you to sit down. Either in your study group, with your friends or by yourself to read and do your assignments. There are plenty of oases fit for studying in the entrance building of Nobelparken, where you will also find the canteen. There are study rooms in building 1461 by the Nobel library and you can also go to Esperanto Friday Bar's room, which is used as a study location when it is not being used as a Friday bar. Esperanto is located in building 1482, room 147.

## Study Groups

When you start as a student at the English department, you will be assigned a study group which you will be working in for the duration of your first year at the university. The study groups are a great way to make new friends as well as help each other out with the readings and assignments you have for each week. During the Orientation Week, you will hear much more about study groups and what they are used for. After the Orientation Week, there will be a workshop for you and your study group to take part in as well.



## Student Organisations

### Apollo: Engelsk Tutorforening

Apollo is an organisation you will become familiar with on your very first day – look for the rocket! We are the ones who plan and carry out the orientation week for English Language, Literature and Culture BA major and minor students and CCE minor students. The members of Apollo, better known as your tutors, are selected in the spring and they spend months preparing to give you the best welcome to the English Department and to welcome you to your new life as a university student. We encourage you all to apply to be a part of next year's tutor team! Follow along on our Facebook page, [Apollo: Engelsk tutorforening](#) or Instagram: @apollo\_engelsk where we post fun updates from Apollo.



### Anglia: Engelsk Kultur- og Fagudvalg

Anglia is the voice of the students. We deal with both social and academic aspects of the English degree programme. We will be available throughout your time at the English department for questions and concerns. In addition to the political work, Anglia also hosts various smaller and larger events, such as the annual Yule Ball and the End of Semester Party in the spring. Meetings are held bimonthly during the semester. They are announced on Facebook and all students are welcome to join. As first semester students, your opinions are highly valuable to us, as we're very curious about your first impressions as a student at the English department and we're always looking for new, creative event ideas. Furthermore, as is customary for our anglophilic department, there's always tea, coffee, and cake at meetings. Being a member of Anglia is your opportunity to influence the student life and politics of the English degree programme. It is also a great way to meet students from other years. You can contact Anglia on Facebook, [Anglia: Engelsk Kultur- og Fagudvalg](#) or Instagram @auanglia.



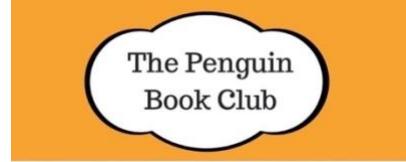
### Esperanto Friday Bar

Esperanto is a place you will likely come to love. A place to play games, laugh and perhaps drink a few beers. It is the perfect place to chill out with your friends after a busy university week - or at least we think so! We represent the university's different language faculties, so meeting new friends from other places is quite possible too! Becoming a member of the bar committee is easy. Just turn up to our weekly meeting to see what we are all about and if you feel up for it, you can have a go at being behind the bar at our favourite place to hang out on Fridays. Being a member is a great way to make friends across the year groups at English but also across the different faculties. We are open almost every Friday and we are famously known for our many inventive themed bars. You can contact us on Facebook, [Esperanto Friday Bar](#) or Instagram @auesperanto.



## Penguin Book Club

The Penguin Book Club is a club for all the book lovers at the English Department at Aarhus University. We meet a few times during the semester to discuss a piece of literature. You can expect great discussions, good company, and amazing cake.



## English Revy

The English Revy is your opportunity to get creative, have fun, meet students across semesters, and lovingly joke about all things English. No matter whether you're a natural on stage, would like to join the band, want to stand in front of- or behind the camera, has a knack for video editing, writing sketches, doing costumes, creating memes, organizing, or frankly just enjoy eating cake in good company, the English Revy needs you! We spend most of the year writing sketches, songs, and coming up with all sorts of entertainment culminating in a spectacular (or at the very least quite funny) show once a year.

You can find us through our Facebook page [English Revy AU](#), Instagram @englishrevy, or e-mail [englishrevy@gmail.com](mailto:englishrevy@gmail.com)



## Wilhelm Screen Club

Wilhelm Screen is a film club for students at the English department. About once a month we host events where we watch all kinds of movies - everything from sci-fi to animation - and have fun together. In the past, we have hosted horror movie marathons for Halloween, all-night Oscar events, and sometimes we invite teachers from the department along to talk about their research and the movies we watch. You can find out more about future events by joining, [The Wilhelm Screen Film Club](#), on Facebook. If you want to join the team that decides which movies we will be watching this semester you can contact Majbritt Kastberg Grønbæk to find out more.

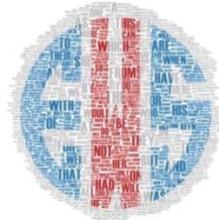


## English Lecture Society (ELS)

The English Lecture society is a student-run organisation that organises lectures, presentations, and events for all students studying English. The organisation is frequently referred to as ELS, so do not fret if you suddenly hear or read that acronym. The lecturers may be professors from the Department of English, professors at other programmes of AU, perhaps professors from foreign universities, or even other students with something to say. The events are very low key, relaxed and good fun. If you want to become a member of ELS and help us organise lectures, please feel free to reach out to us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/ELS.AarhusUni/>.

## English Writing Society (EWS)

The English Writing society is, as the name implies, a group of students interested in fostering a spirit of creativity at Aarhus University and is an opportunity for you to meet others and discuss your writing. No matter whether you have been writing for many years, have started recently, or have a small interest, we would love to have you join us! We have several meetings across a semester where we discuss anything from writing limericks to writing novels, and all of our meetings are entirely optional, meaning that you can decide which meetings to join based on your own topics of interest. So, if you love to write, or are curious about what we do, you can find us through our Facebook page [EWS](#).



## Esperantunes

Esperantunes is a choir for students from AU's various language studies. The choir is a community for students who just like to sing together and make sweet music. We rehearse every Wednesday between 5-7 pm and we are always open to welcome new singers. Our repertoire covers a wide field of songs from new pop songs to older hymns in both Danish and English. In the months before Christmas, we always spend a lot of time rehearsing various Christmas tunes as it is a proud tradition that we perform at the annual Yule Ball in the English department. Esperantunes is always open for new members, and you don't have to have any prior choir experience. If you want to give the choir a try you can contact us on Facebook: [Esperantunes: Kor for Engelsk, Tysk, Spansk og Fransk](#).

## KAF: Kandidatforeningen for Engelsk ICS and SLK

KAF is a small cosy organisation with the purpose of creating and hosting academic and social events for the master students at the English department. We are a group of students from 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> semester, and we work to promote cooperation, fellowship, and networking for the master students. We are also a part of the work when the Alumni-newsletter is made for the graduating master students. We are always happy to welcome new members and ideas and cannot wait to see you when the time comes. Enjoy the RUS week!



## External Organisations

### Studienævnet (SN)

#### The Board of Studies of the School of Communication and Culture

The board of Studies (Studienævn, SN) is an elected body that manages and monitors the quality of the courses and exams in its degree programmes in collaboration with the director of studies and the AU studies administration. The SN has nine academic staff members and nine student members. The current SN member for English is:

- Emma Hove Petersen

For further information about the SN, please check:

<https://studerende.au.dk/studier/fagportaler/arts/kontakt/udvalgognaevn/studienaevn/kommunikation-og-kultur>

### Uddannelsesnævn (UN)

#### The Degree Programme Committee for English

The SN of the School of Communication and Culture has appointed nine degree programme committees (uddannelsesnævn, UN). The aim of the UN is to develop and ensure the quality of its degree programmes, to collaborate with the academic staff and the students as well as to discuss and make academic recommendations for the university management and the SN. Each UN has six academic staff members and six student members. The current student members and substitutes of the UN for English are (from February 2022):

- Christina Maria Møller (SLK)
- Claire Isabel Hendrick (ICS)
- Emma Hove Petersen (SLK) (SN representative)
- Emma Hundahl Kærsgaard (SLK)
- Emma Møllebjerg Stanley (SLK)
- Helena Fjeldsted Jensen (IVK)
- Majbritt Kastberg Grønbæk (SLK)
- Maria Hvidkær Christensen (IVK)
- Mathilde Brogaard Pedersen (SLK)
- Rikke Oddershede Laursen (SLK)

For further information about the UN, please check:

<https://studerende.au.dk/studier/fagportaler/arts/kontakt/udvalgognaevn/uddannelsesnaevn/kommunikation-og-kultur/>

### Studentrådgivningen

As a student at English, you can get counselling free of charge for study-related subjects such as study-related stress, examination anxiety and perfectionism. We offer individual sessions, group sessions and workshops, either in our rooms in Aarhus or online. Note that some of the group sessions and workshops only are offered in Danish. Book time for a session or get more information at [srg.dk](http://srg.dk) or [srg.dk/en](http://srg.dk/en).



## **Studying Abroad**

*"It's a big and beautiful world and I have the chance to go see it, to participate in it".  
(a former exchange student)*

Studying abroad is an integral part of the fourth semester of the English BA Degree Programme. It offers students an opportunity to develop academic, professional and personal competences while studying at one of our partner universities. One gets exposure to new and diverse ways of teaching and learning. In addition, results from all examinations taken abroad will be transferred to each student's transcript here at Aarhus University.

The courses you select will build upon your existing knowledge, interests and studies and in many cases, one may get access to English literature and language, history, society & culture related topics not currently on offer at Aarhus University. This works both ways however and accounts for why so many foreign students select the Aarhus campus as their *Number One* exchange destination! You can choose among partner universities within Europe, primarily in Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales or overseas at locations such as Canada, USA, Australia, New Zealand and more. Going on exchange to partner universities means that you do not have to pay tuition fees and there will be grants available to help support travel expenses to your host university.

The Dept. of English has a large number of incoming exchange students each semester. Several of them may be attending the same classes as you, so feel free to chat with them about their home universities. You can also volunteer to be a *Welcome Buddy* for some of these students at a later stage during your studies.

Information meetings about studying abroad for the Spring 2024 semester will already take place online during October and November this year so you will have lots of time to prepare and pack! In the meantime, why not get started and check out the links below....

*AU Guide to Going on Exchange: "[Rejs Ud](#)"*

Ann Carroll-Bøgh, Arts Internationalisation: [engacb@au.dk](mailto:engacb@au.dk)

## Tech Systems

Aarhus University uses a variety of different IT platforms with each their individual purpose. It might be difficult for you to manage them in the beginning, but rest assured that you will learn how to navigate and use them quickly. During your orientation week, we will introduce you to all of them. Below you can find a brief introduction to the most important systems:

- [Mitstudie](#) is the main entrance for your classes, information about your study and as self-service systems. Here, you will find your weekly schedules, AU-mail, important messages, links for sites and systems, and much more relevant to your studies. Log onto Mitstudie, from there you can get access to everything else you need.
- [Brightspace](#) is a learning management system, where your lecturers will upload materials and other relevant information for your courses.
- [Studieselvbetjening \(STADS\)](#) is the place where you can view your exam results, order exam prints etc. This is also where you sign up for courses and exams when it becomes necessary during your education. Go to the guide using STADS [here](#).
- [Studieportal ARTS](#) is where you can find all relevant information about teaching, exams, rules, counselling and more.
- [Eduroam](#) is the Wi-Fi we use on AU. Before you can use it, you have to install the network onto your devices.
- [Zoom at AU](#) – in situations where it is necessary to make teaching online or to conduct online examinations, zoom is the primary technical solution on AU. You have to use the official AU Zoom and not the free version. Use AU's guide to video conferences on Zoom [here](#).
- [Software for Students](#) – as a student, you can get a lot of free software or software at a discount.
- [IT-support](#) – if you are experiencing any technical issues, you can get help at Arts IT-support. During the first few weeks, they might be a little busy – so please be patient.

## Counselling and Guidance

If you at any point during your studies find yourself in need of help, guidance, inspiration or counselling, we have certain places where you can seek the help in the form you need it – no matter how far along you are in your education.

- [Studievejledningen](#)

Every line of education has student counsellors called “Studievejledningen”. These counsellors are fellow students hired to help and guide other students. The student counsellors have a duty of confidentiality, and you can talk to them about anything – rules, formalities in your course of study, doubts about your studies, personal challenges and much more. You will meet your student counsellors during your orientation week and in the following weeks as they will have various presentations for you – working in study groups, among others.

- [Socialpædagogisk støtte \(SPS\)](#)

At “Socialpædagogisk støtte”, you can get information and guidance about support for students with a disability or special needs, e.g., dyslexia, mental illness, ADHD, chronic pains and hearing or visual handicaps. You can contact SPS right away, also if you are in doubt about whether you fit their target group.

- [Studenterpræsterne](#)

The Student Priests in Aarhus offer conversations and conversation groups for students no matter their faith and religion. They also have a quiet room at Aarhus University where you can come to pray, meditate, or find peace and quiet. The Student Priests also arrange debates and lectures.

- [Studenterrådgivningen](#)

The student counselling services are experts in short term therapy for students in higher education. They can help you if you are challenged by exam anxiety, perfectionism, stress etc.

- [Studenterlinjen](#)

The student line is anonymous and is driven by students for students. You can call their number or chat with them on their webpage Monday to Thursday 19.00-22.00. Whether it be to voice your worries about exams, studies or failing an exam, you are most welcome to contact them.

- [SU-kontoret](#)

At SU-kontoret, you can find guidance on your personal SU relations.

- [Arts Karriere](#)

Arts Career is your career centre as a student at Arts. Here, you can get individual counselling and participate in a lot of different events held all year round.

- [AU Elitesport](#)

AU Elite Sport helps those of you who play elite sports while you study.

- [AU Iværksætter](#)

AU Entrepreneur helps those of you who dream of entrepreneurship, and who want to develop your own business while you are studying.

## Zero Tolerance

At AU we put emphasis on treating each other with respect and decency and we have zero tolerance for harassment, bullying, violence, and discrimination in all forms.

If you experience any unacceptable behaviour towards you, there is someone you can contact, and AU encourages you to seek help and counselling.

You have different options you can read about on AU's "Zero Tolerance" site – "[Vi siger fra](#)".



# Useful Information

## Facebook

Your tutors have made a Facebook group for all 2022 English students. Being a member of this group is important as a lot of information will be posted about the orientation week. After (and during) the orientation week, the group will also be used by the English Department's organisations to share events and relevant information. The group can be found here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/377897927593768/>

## Mitstudie.au.dk

This is your digital study environment. A single point of access, where you only have to log on once to gain access to, for instance: Your timetable, messages in Brightspace, your registered courses, your academic regulations and study diagram, messages from your study portal, etc.

## The Study Portal

A very useful place where you can find relevant information about courses, exams, exemptions from regulations, studying abroad, Arts Career, and anything else related to being a student at AU in the Faculty of Arts and the Department of English. Find the study portal via studerende.au.dk

## Exam Dates and Grades

You can find your exam dates via your Study Portal under "Exam" and "Exam Dates". Your grades will be on the self-service STADS, which you can also reach through mitstudie.au.dk. Through STADS you can also register and deregister for exams.

## Timetables

You can find your timetable via:  
<https://timetable.au.dk/schedule>

## Digital Exam

This is the place where you will hand in any written or digital exams. You will get more information about how to hand in your exams during your first semester and you can find more information via: eksamen.au.dk

## Academic Regulations

The academic regulations are the legal foundation for your degree program, and they tell you what you need to learn each semester and how this will be done. They also describe the rules which apply to your degree program. You are responsible for keeping up to date with these rules. The academic regulations can be found via the study portal: go to studerende.au.dk under "Faculties", you should choose "Arts", then "English". You then need to click on "Academic Regulations" and choose your academic regulation. Make sure to look at the one called "English, Bachelor's Degree Programme (2018)".

## AU course catalogue

In the AU course catalogue, you can search for specific programmes or courses. It allows you to read more about your courses and their curriculums, and it comes in very handy when you need to choose elective subjects later in your studies. The course catalogue can be found via: kursuskatalog.au.dk

## Exchange

On your 4<sup>th</sup> semester (Spring 2024), you will get the opportunity to go on exchange. The deadline for applying for an exchange stay is already during your 1<sup>st</sup> semester, so it is important that you consider whether you want to go abroad. During the orientation week, we will talk more about exchange, and how to apply for it. There will also be a meeting in October where exchange coordinator Ann Carroll-Bøgh will answer all your questions. You can read more online via the Study Portal: studerende.au.dk under "Info about studying abroad".

## Student counsellors

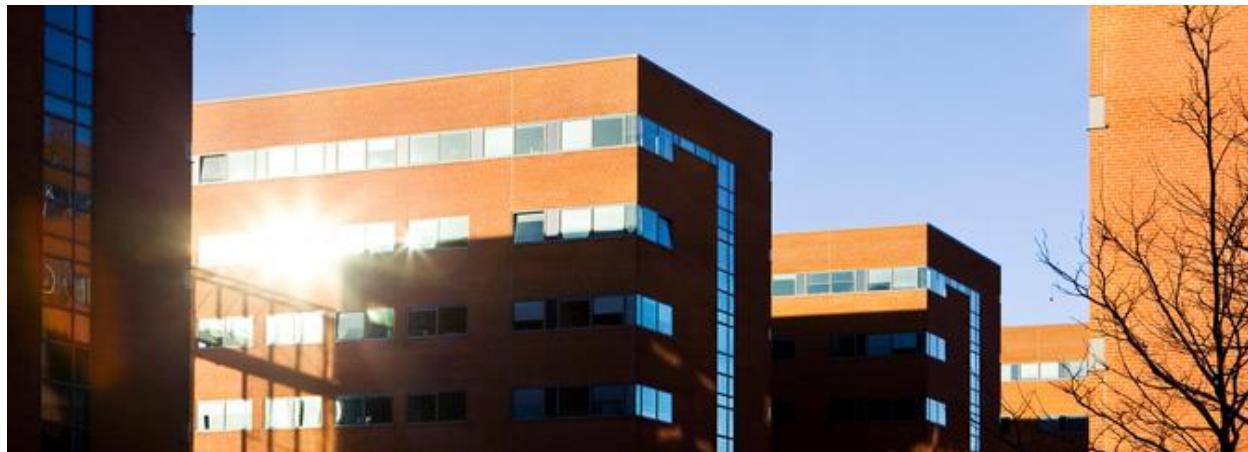
The student counsellors' main task is to help you if you have any troubles – whether it is with your studies or on a more personal level. You can either send them an email or schedule a meeting with them, and they will do their best to help you or send you in the right direction to get the help you need. To find their emails and office hours go to studerende.au.dk under "Counselling", "Student Counsellor".

## Student ID

Your student ID will prove that you are enrolled at AU and it is especially important to bring with you to exams. The ID card also functions as a key card and will give you access to buildings outside of normal hours. Order your ID card at [mitstudie.au.dk](http://mitstudie.au.dk) when you have been assigned a personal student number. You will need a photo of yourself.

## Time

University is a lot to take in and will require a lot of time and energy from you. Our advice is to try and prioritise your time well so you will both be able to keep up with your studies and have fun! If you structure your time well, there should be time for everything and maybe you will even join one of our student organisations? Being a student is a full-time job where you are expected to use 820 hours per semester on your university work. In your 1st semester in particular it is recommended that you don't use too much time on a part-time job. You will probably need time to get used to the amount of studying, participating in activities on campus and getting to know people.



## Last Pieces of Information and Reminders

We hope we have made a thorough and helpful pamphlet for you. However, if you did not find the answer to something, please do not hesitate to contact the Head Tutors – we are here to help you! And should you have any concerns about taking part in the Orientation Week, please contact one of your Head Tutors.

**Due to GDPR regulations, we are required to inform you that photos will be taken throughout the Orientation Week. Should you prefer not to be photographed, please contact your head tutors.**

### Remember:

- To join our Facebook group, '[AU Engelsk 2022](#)' to stay up to date about the Orientation Week and keep in touch with your peers and organisations after the Orientation Week!
- You need to be at Jens Chr. Skous Vej 2, in front of building 1485 on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> of August at 9.00 for registration. Again, we recommend downloading the app AU Find.
- To bring your computer on Wednesday as we will have an introduction to technology and how to connect to the internet!
- To join the Monday dinner at Studenterhus Aarhus! To secure your place at the dinner, please transfer 125 DKK to Apollo before August 19<sup>th</sup>. Write your full name with the transfer and if you have any dietary restrictions (allergies, vegan, vegetarian, etc.). Transfer to: Reg. nr.: 7268 Kontonr.: 0001221742

That was it from us for now.

We can't wait to meet you for the Orientation Week and spend some great days with you!

Once again: if you have any concerns about the Orientation Week, we strongly urge you to get in contact with one of your Head Tutors or write us at the apollo email:  
[apolloengelsk@gmail.com](mailto:apolloengelsk@gmail.com)

Love from  
 The Apollo 2022 Tutor Team

