



Universität
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English Department



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Welcome Days

Fall Semester 2025

8–12 September 2025

Warm-Up Day: 8 September 2025

Let's kick off together!



**Welcome to the
English Department**



The English Department

Building PLH, Plattenstrasse 47, 8032 Zürich



Building PET, Pestalozzistrasse 50, 8032 Zürich

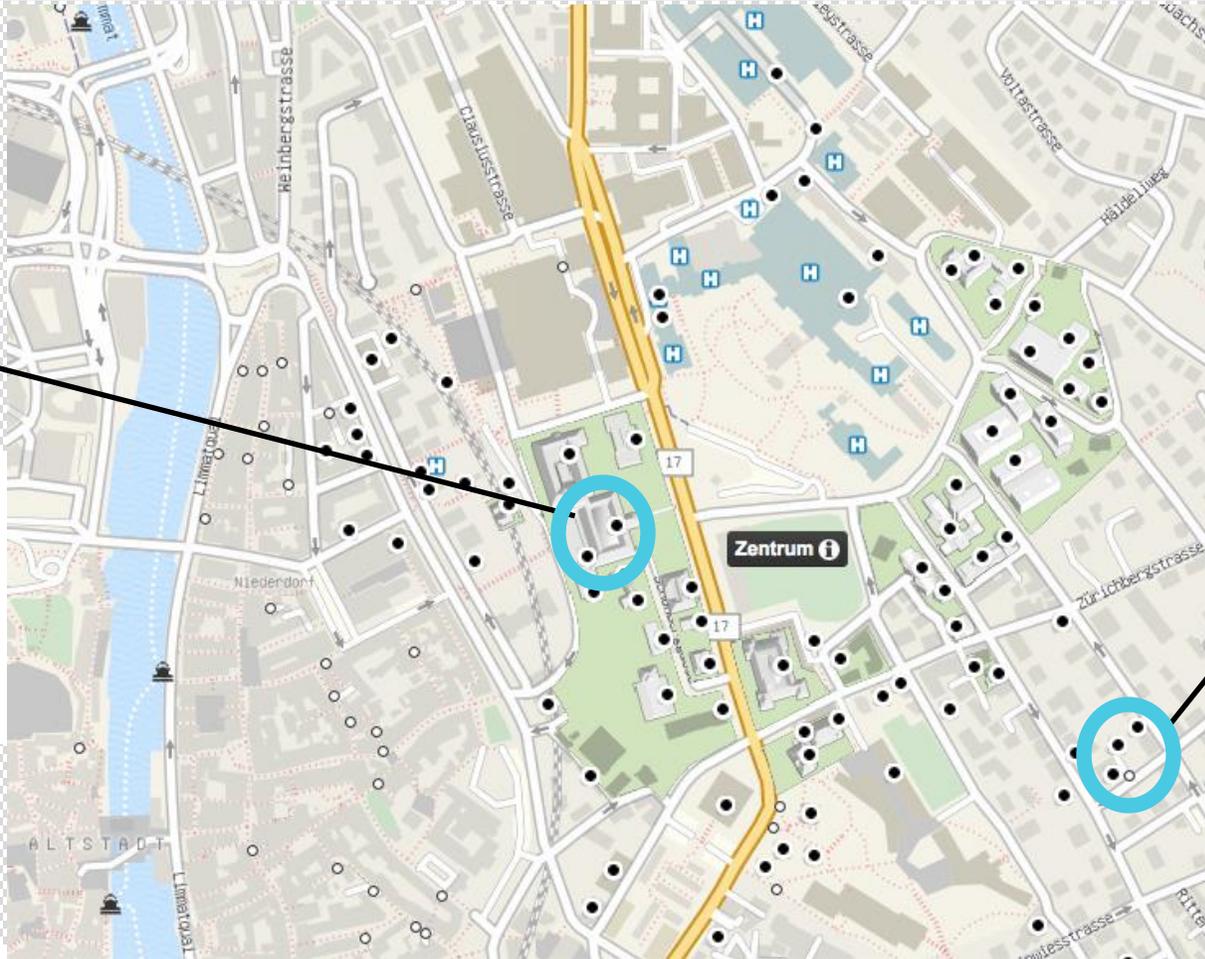


Location English Department

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**Distance from UZH
Main Building:
c. 5–10 min**

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PET

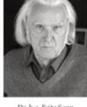


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Bachelor and Master Programs

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)

Total of 180 credit points

6 semesters full-time study

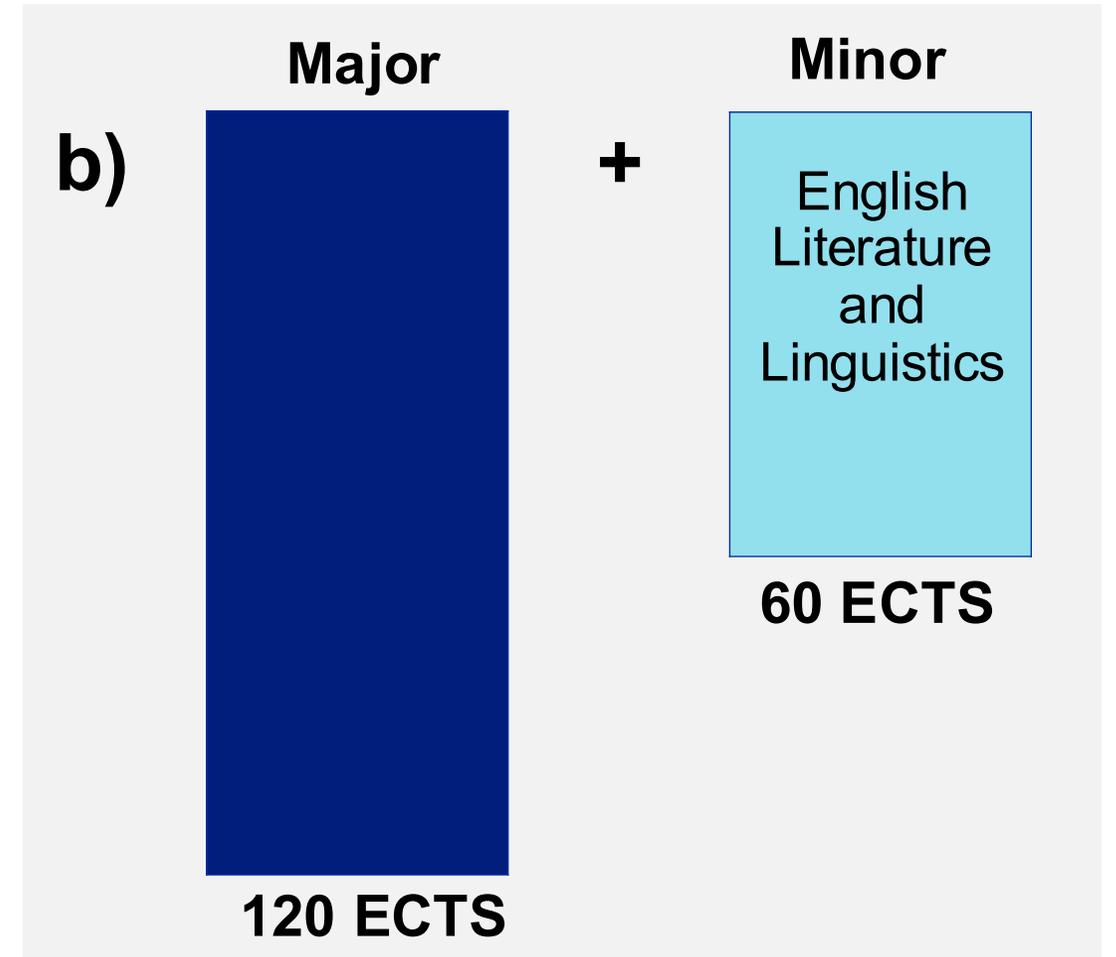
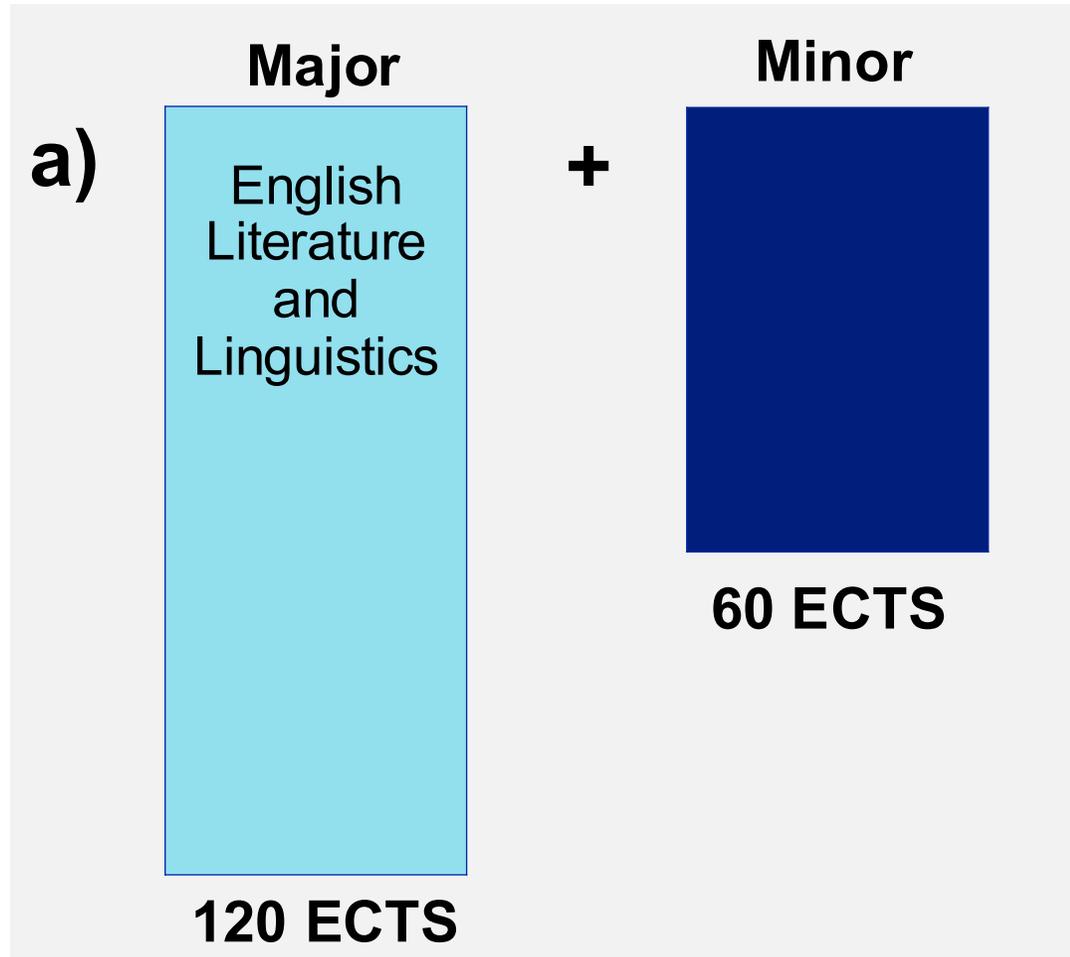
Master of Arts (M.A.)

An additional 120 credit points

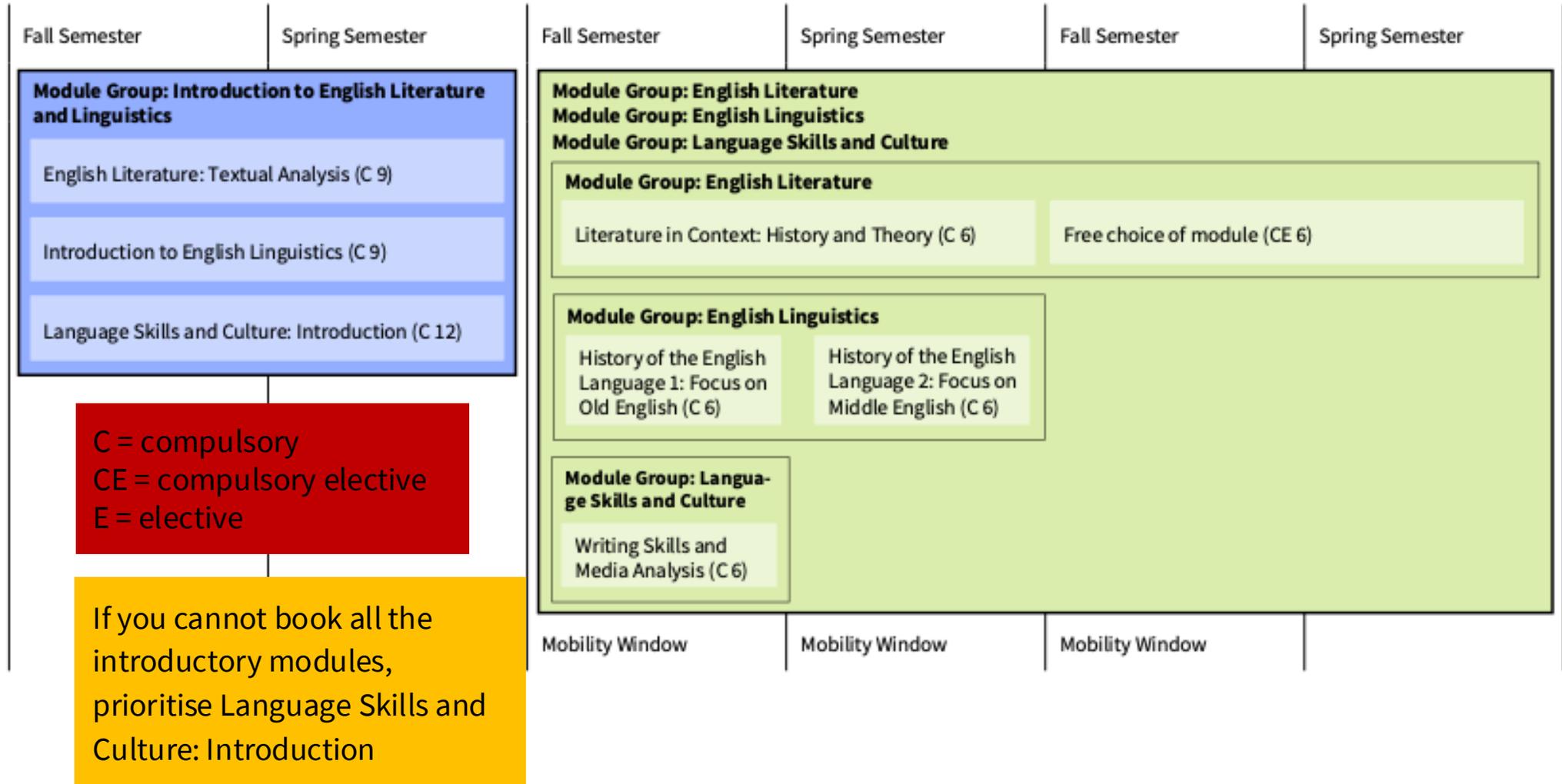
A further 4 semesters full-time study

It is possible to study part-time. It will simply take longer to attain your degree.

Bachelor (180 ECTS): Subject Distribution



Bachelor Minor (60 ECTS)



Mustercurriculum: <https://www.phil.uzh.ch/de/studium/dokumente/bachelor.html#englischesprachundliteraturwissenschaft>

Timetable Considerations

- No more than 30 ECTS credits each semester
- Fewer ECTS credits if you are working as well
- Halve the ECTS credits for two-semester courses
- Check for compulsory modules in your Major in the spring semester



<https://www.meme-arsenal.com/memes/312d41a493b700bb92c710d465a43573.jpg>

A Word on Modules

- You must pass all the compulsory modules
 - If you fail compulsory modules twice, you are barred from studying English.
- At the English Department we offer recurring modules that include courses, e.g.
 - The module English Literature: Textual Analysis includes a lecture and several seminar groups.
 - The module Literary Histories: Cultural Contexts is offered each semester, but the course is different each semester.
- You cannot successfully complete a module twice.

Different Types of Courses

Lectures

- Provide overview over a topic
- An instructor presents the content
- Large groups
- Usually has an exam at the end



Photo: [Dorm Fou](#), [Unsplash](#)

Seminars

- Focus on individual texts (within a specific topic)
- Discussion based
- Small groups
- Students write a paper



Photo: [Mimi Thian](#), [Unsplash](#)

The Course Catalogue

Contains much important information:

- What modules are offered each semester
- The module (and course) description
- Information on the booking period
- The name of instructors
- Information on rooms

<https://studentservices.uzh.ch/uzh/anonym/vvz/index.html?sap-language=EN&sap-ui-language=EN#/details/2025/003/CG/50893096>

The screenshot shows the UZH Course Catalogue interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the UZH logo and 'UZH Course Catalogue'. Below this, the page title is 'English Literature and Linguistics' for the 'Fall Semester 2025'. The program type is listed as 'Bachelor's (Major 120)' with 'ECTS: 120'. The page is divided into sections: 'Description', 'Modules', 'Requirements', 'Organization', and 'Component'. The 'Description' section includes a 'General description' and 'Career Prospects'. The 'Modules' section lists several modules with right-pointing arrows. The 'Requirements' section shows the 'Branch of Studies' and 'Regulations'. The 'Organization' section provides details on 'Program Structure', 'Major/Minor-Combinations', 'Part-Time Studies', 'Organization', 'Academic Advisor', 'Program Director', and 'Program Coordinator'. A 'Create PDF' button is visible at the bottom right.

Student Portal

- Book modules
- Find information on your study progress
- Apply for cancellation of modules due to illness

<https://studentservices.uzh.ch/>

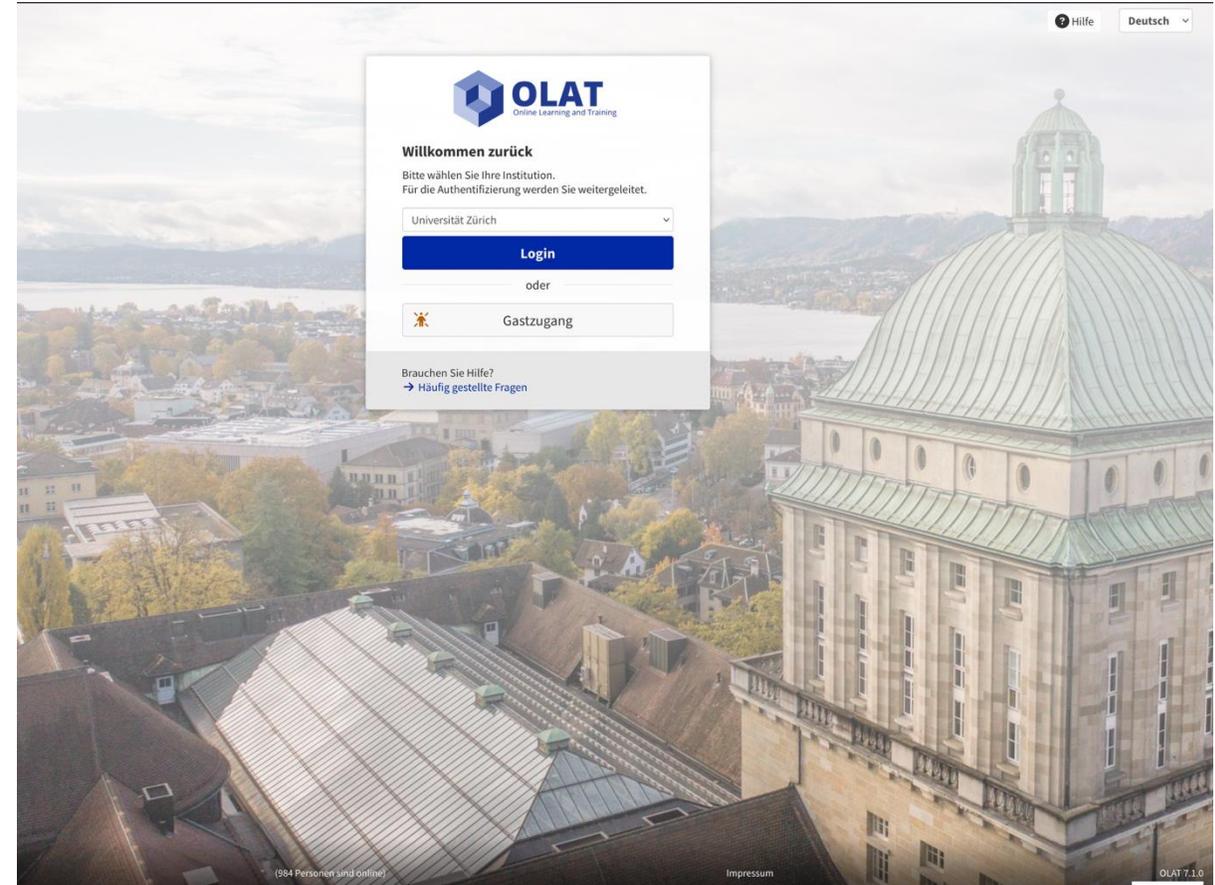
The screenshot displays the UZH Student Portal interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the UZH logo, a 'Home' dropdown, and a search bar containing 'Apps' and a search icon. Below the navigation bar, a horizontal menu lists various services: 'Planning your Studies', 'Study Progress', 'Application', 'Teaching Administration', 'Student Administration', 'Digital Platforms', and 'Services'. The main content area is organized into several sections:

- Find and Book Modules:** This section contains four tiles: 'UZH Course Catalogue' (with a list icon), 'Search UZH Course Catalogue' (with a magnifying glass icon), 'Modules of My Study Programs' (with a document icon), and 'Noted Items & Module Booking' (with a calendar icon and the number '2' and the word 'Noted').
- Semester Plan and Timetable:** This section contains two tiles: 'My Modules' (with a document icon) and 'My Schedule Courses' (with a calendar icon and the number '0' and the word 'Today').
- Study Planning Administration:** This section contains two tiles: 'My Requests and Invoices' (with a document icon) and 'My Enrollment and Personal Data' (with a person icon).
- Semester Plan and Timetable:** This section contains one tile: 'My Schedule Courses' (with a calendar icon and the number '0' and the word 'Today').

OLAT

- Find the course material.
- You are automatically added to the OLAT course if you booked the module.
- Joining an OLAT course does not count as booking the module – you have to book via the student portal.
- **Log on today!**

www.olat.uzh.ch



Other Important Online Resources

UZH E-Mail

- Used for UZH relevant correspondence
- **Must be checked at least once a week**

<https://outlook.office365.com/>

ES Downloads

- A collection of important guidelines and templates

<https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/studies/downloads.html>

Identity Manager

- Manage your UZH passwords

www.identity.uzh.ch



AI

- As students you are here to learn a set of skills. Outsourcing everything to gen AI will keep you from developing these skills. It will also make it impossible for you to judge whether AI output is actually good.
- The English Department has guidelines on the use of AI that you must follow: <https://www.es.uzh.ch/dam/jcr:6c2983aa-9a45-4a92-9268-98c313a78a46/Guidelines%20on%20ChatGPT%20and%20AI.pdf>.
- Your instructors will provide you with with more detailed guidelines for each course. Read them carefully.
- Unauthorized use of AI is academic misconduct and will be penalized accordingly.
- You will be introduced to helpful uses of gen AI.

Responsibilities

- As you switch from school to university you have more independence. That also means you have more responsibility.
- Your instructors and the study advisor are there to support you, but ultimately you are responsible for following deadlines, finding information, and asking for help when necessary.
- Read the documents you receive at the beginning of a course very carefully.



Minimum Requirements for *Lehrdiplom*

Always

- The Teaching Diploma (Lehrdiplom für Maturitätsschulen), which is an additional degree.
- Can be pursued during one's MA studies

English as first or only teaching subject

- The equivalent of a BA minor in English Literature and Linguistics
- At least 45 ECTS in English Literature/Linguistics at Master level
- A Master Thesis in English Studies (either Literature or Linguistics)
- Overall, at least 21 ECTS each in English Literature and in English Linguistics
- A Stay Abroad (min. 6 months)
- "Module Language Skills for Teachers"

English as second teaching subject

- The equivalent of a BA minor in English Literature and Linguistics
- At least 30 ECTS in English at Master Level
- Overall, at least 21 ECTS each in English Literature and in English Linguistics
- A Stay Abroad (min. 6 months)
- "Module Language Skills for Teachers"

Study Abroad

- Students have the chance to study abroad for one or two semesters during their Bachelor and/or Master studies.
- At BA level, students must have completed all three introductory modules before they can go abroad, but they can start the application process in the first year.
- All mandatory modules must be completed at the UZH
- The English Department offers some places that are reserved for students of English.
- The UZH Global Student Experience offers additional study abroad places for all students.
- Discuss your stay with the study abroad coordinator (N. Meyer, studyabroad@es.uzh.ch)
- More info at: <https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/studies/stay-abroad.html>

Places offered by the English Department

Country	University (Bachelor only, Bachelor & Master)
Austria	Universität Wien
Finland	University of Helsinki
	University of Tampere
Germany	Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena
Romania	Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca
Spain	Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona
Ireland	Trinity College Dublin (only Literature!)
UK	University of Aberdeen
	University of Lancaster
	Plymouth University (only Literature!)
	University of Sheffield
	University of Warwick, Coventry
	Queen Mary University of London
Canada	Mount Saint Vincent University, Halifax

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The ES Alumni Student Fund

UZH alumni english studies

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The ES Alumni Student Fund supports academic and study-related projects by Bachelor and Master students of English Literature and/or Linguistics. Examples include:

- student research projects;
- small travel bursaries (e.g. for field work, or to attend an academic conference);
- course-related excursions

<https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/department/alumni/esalumnistudentfund.html>

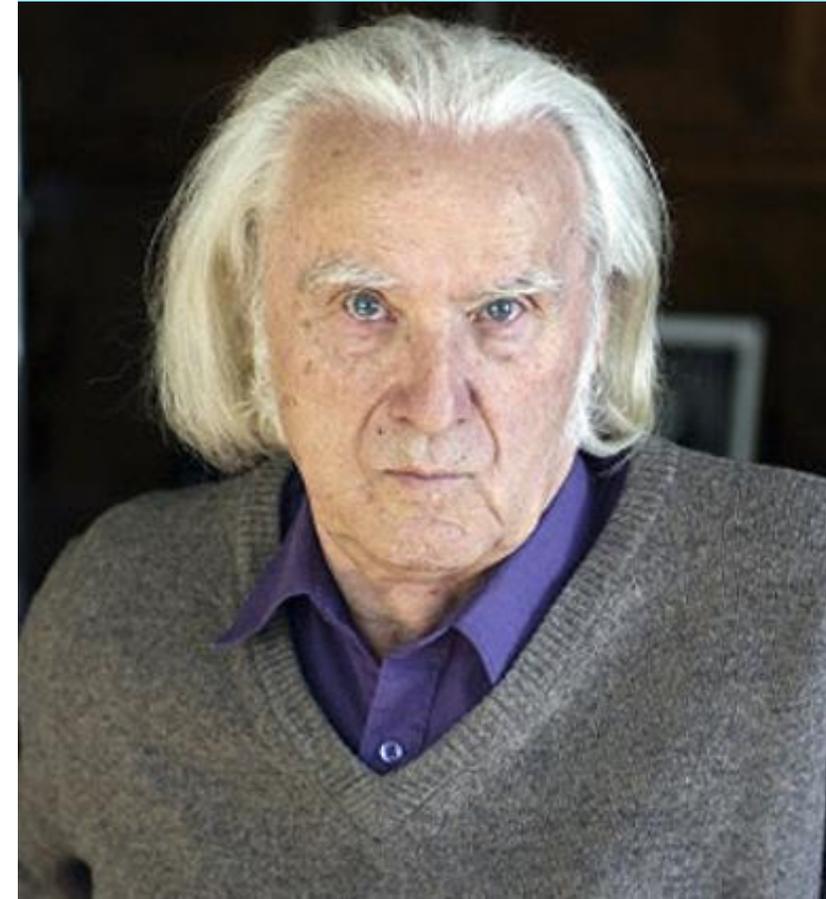
Fritz Senn Stipend for Joyce and Irish Studies

The Fritz Senn Stipend for Joyce and Irish Studies is open to Bachelor, Master, and PhD students enrolled at the University of Zurich who wish to pursue a project related to the works of James Joyce and/or Irish Studies. The stipend may be used:

- to cover research-related costs (e.g. for travel, books, or technical equipment)
- for student conferences and other relevant events (e.g. workshops, excursions, or reading groups)
- for supporting academic publications.

The maximum awarded does not usually exceed CHF 500.– per semester. While it is not possible to apply for recurring contributions, successful applicants may reapply in later semesters.

<https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/research/scis-zjif/projectsandresources/fritzsennstipend.html>



Useful Services at the University of Zurich

Practical Info

- Jobs: www.uzh.ch/studies/studentlife/vacancies.html
- Zentralbibliothek: www.zb.uzh.ch
- Language Learning Center: www.sprachenzentrum.uzh.ch
- Akademischer Sportverein: www.asvz.ch
- Housing Office of the University / ETH Zurich: www.wohnen.ethz.ch/en

Support

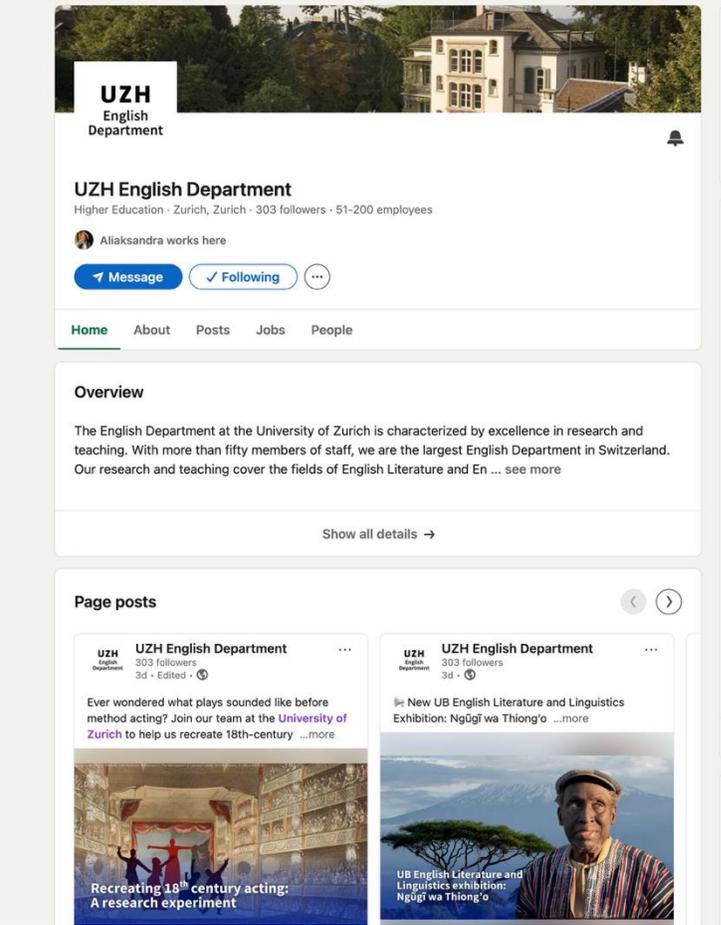
- Psychological Counseling Services: www.pbs.uzh.ch/en.html
- Disability Office: www.disabilityoffice.uzh.ch/en.html
 - Possible to receive adjustments to one's studies (Nachteilsausgleich)!
- Student Financial Aid Office: www.studienfinanzierung.uzh.ch/en.html
- General Student Advisory Services: www.studienberatung.uzh.ch/en.html

Advising of Studies

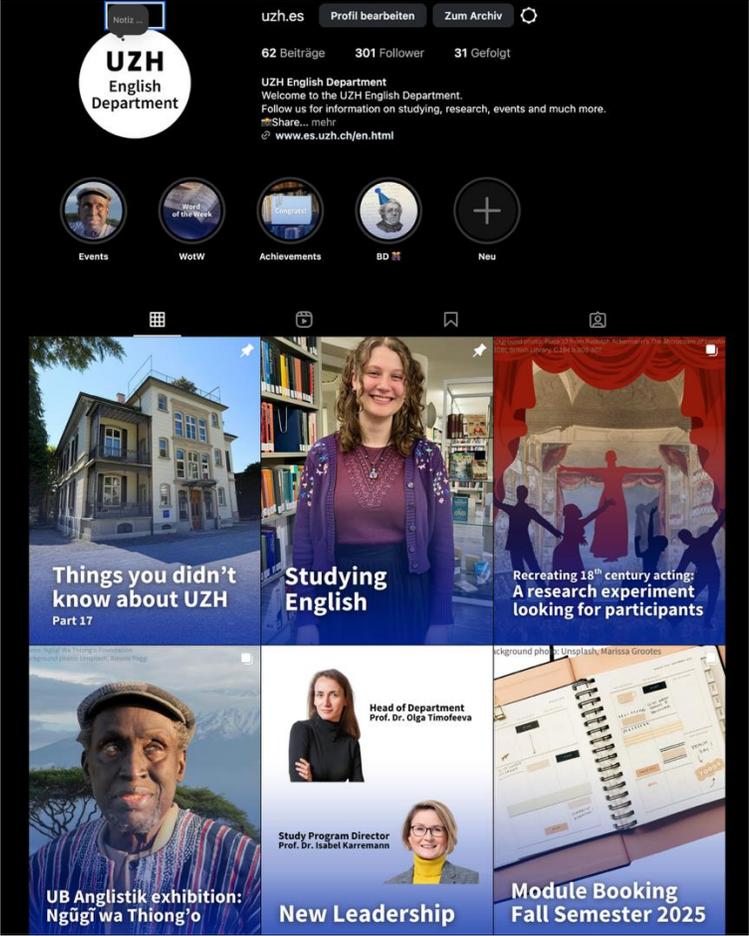
- Please read the information on the website very carefully: <https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/studies/bachelor/bachelor-major.html>
- If anything remains unclear, contact the study advisor Olivia Tjon-A-Meeuw at englishstudies@es.uzh.ch.
 - Use your UZH email account
 - Provide your full name
 - Outline the problem as clearly as possible.
 - Indicate which sources of information you have already consulted.
 - Please add your student ID number

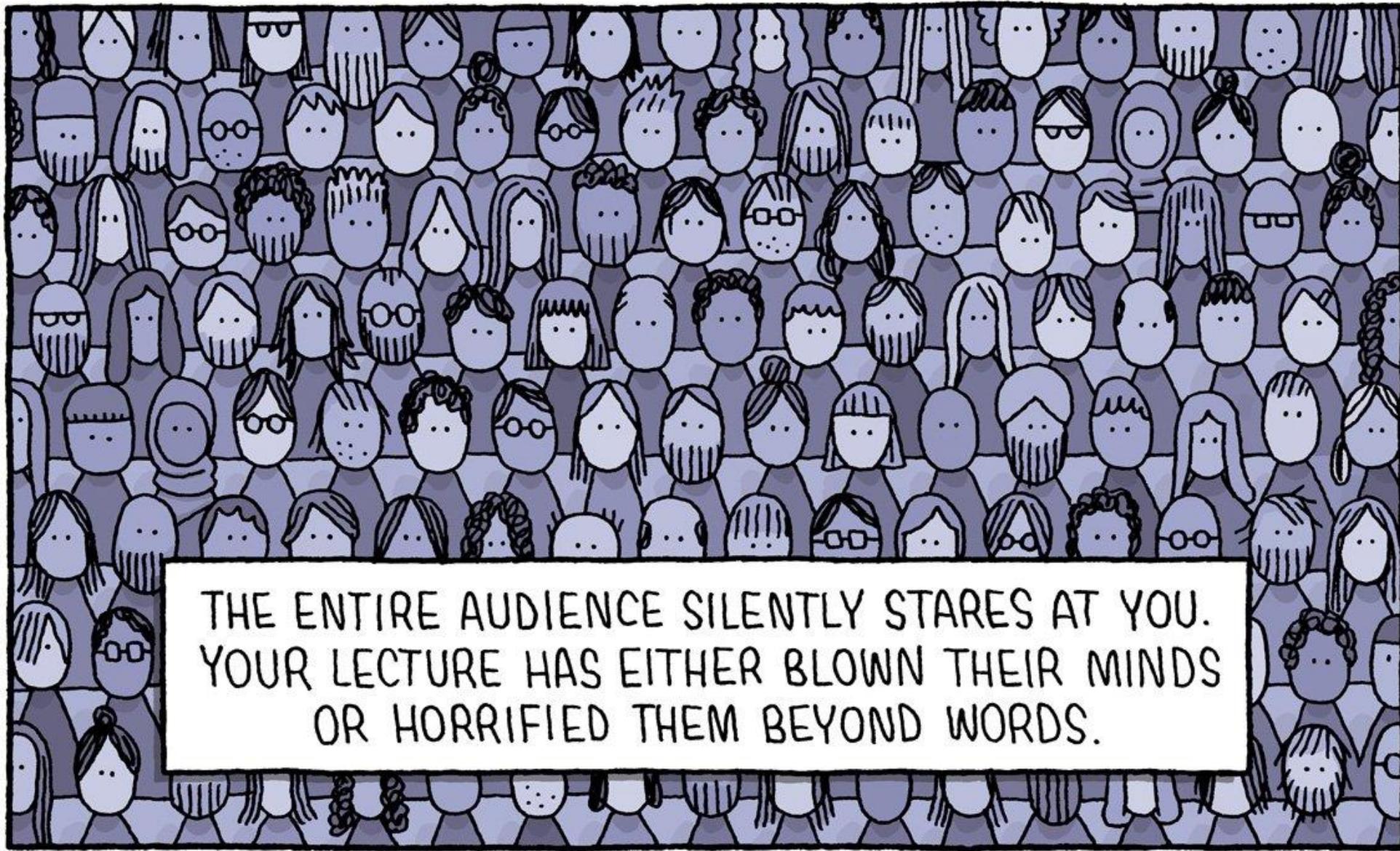
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THE ENTIRE AUDIENCE SILENTLY STARES AT YOU.
YOUR LECTURE HAS EITHER BLOWN THEIR MINDS
OR HORRIFIED THEM BEYOND WORDS.

Fa... what now?

- **FA**ch**V**erein **A**nglistik
- Official student association of the English Seminar
- Your student representatives at the *Institutsversammlung* and *KSL*
- Come to us with ...
 - Concerns and issues
 - Questions
 - Suggestions



But also... Events!

- Beginning of the Semester Apéro
→ Tuesday, September 23rd
- Cake Days
→ Tuesday, October 7th (and more!)
- Halloween Party
- Jingle'n'Mingle
- St. Patrick's Day
- **Grill n' Chill**



What Now?

1. Follow us on Instagram! [@fava_uzh](#)
2. Check our website: favauzh.ch
3. Sign up for our newsletter:
es.lists.uzh.ch/sympa/subscribe/fava
4. Questions? Send us an email: fava@es.uzh.ch



instagram



website



newsletter



What Now?

5. Sign up for the **Peer Mentoring Program!**



Peer Mentoring Program

- You will be matched with a mentor (an old experienced student)
- After that it's up to you!
- You can ask your mentor about...
 - Admin questions
 - Course recommendations
 - Tips and tricks
 - Gossip & tea (we have lots of that)



Peer Mentoring Program



→ Google Forms sign up sheet!

Or on our website www.favauzh.ch/pm



Become a Member Yourself

- If what we do sounds cool and you'd like to join in and help too, while making some cool new friends in the process, hit us up via email or Instagram, or talk to us at one of our events! We'll happily have you join one of our meetings in no time!



Want to Support Us Even More?

Become a **FAVA Donor!**

- 10 CHF a year → sign up at any of our Cake Days
- Discounts at our events
- No work on your end
- You can participate in our yearly GV
- You get a pretty card



Campus Tours for English Students

- **Today at 13:00**
- **Meeting place: Outside the main building** We'll show you...
 - The main building
 - The English Seminar & library
 - Where to get the cheapest coffee
 - ... and much more!
- This is a great opportunity to meet other new students and to ask us all your pressing questions!



Blueprint Masquerades

UZH & ETH English Theatre Club



Basic Info

- Production Cycle Autumn-Spring
- Rehearsal Week in February, during semester break
- Performances in Late April, Early May
- Weekly Rehearsals on **Wednesday 18:30-21:30**
- Anyone can audition, or sign up to be part of crew
(no guarantee though!)

Different Departments

Assertive Acting



Melodic Music



Sturdy Stage



Meaningful Marketing

Creative Costumes



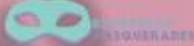
Decisive Directing



Or Purposeful Producing...?

Past Productions

NEW LOCATION
NEW DATES

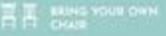
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Ehemalige Zentralwäscherei
Neue Hard 12
8005 Zürich

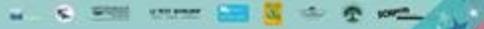
HARVEY



by Mary Chase

Friday	2 nd of July	18:00	FREE ADMISSION, COLLECTION
Sunday	5 th of July	15:00	Limited audience
Wednesday	8 th of July	15:00	Please reserve online
Thursday	9 th of July	18:00	
Friday	10 th of July	18:00	

 BRING YOUR OWN CHAIR



The second production is presented in partnership with Stadt Theaterhaus Letzli

Isabel Schmidt Carmen Aeschbacher

THE FOREST

A Modern Macbeth Retelling

Friday	October 22	7pm	Theatersaal Uni Irchel
Saturday	October 23	7pm	
Sunday	October 24	4pm	Reserve your tickets on
Wednesday	October 27	7pm	blueprintmasquerades.com
Thursday	October 28	7pm	

 BLUEPRINT MASQUERADES

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Adam Szymkowicz

MARIAN,

OR THE TRUE TALE OF ROBIN HOOD

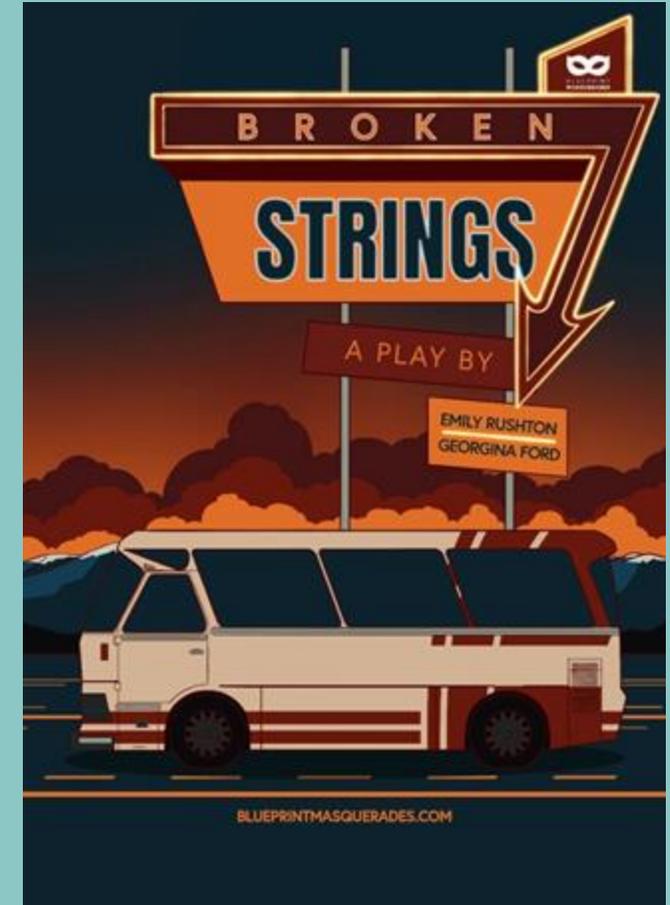
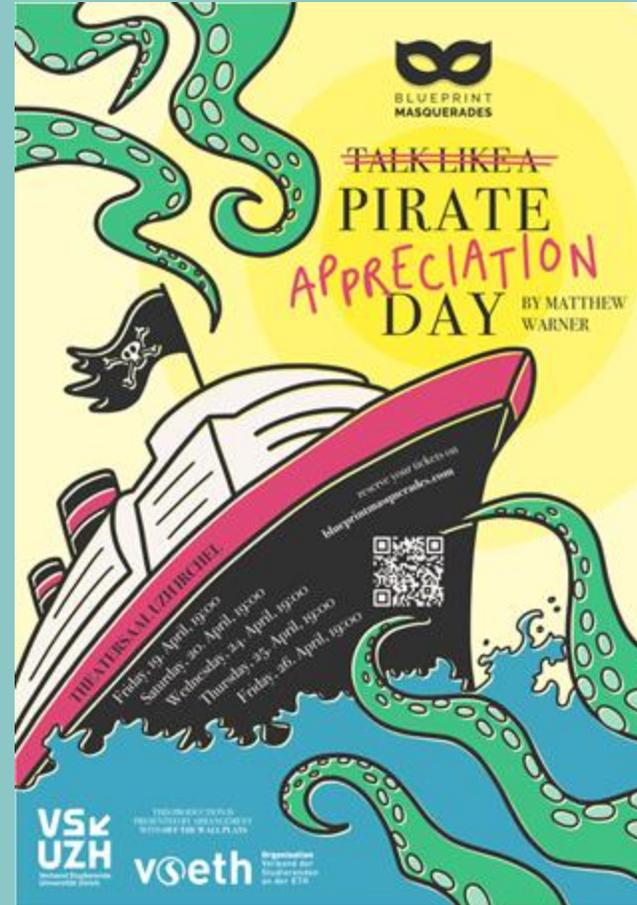
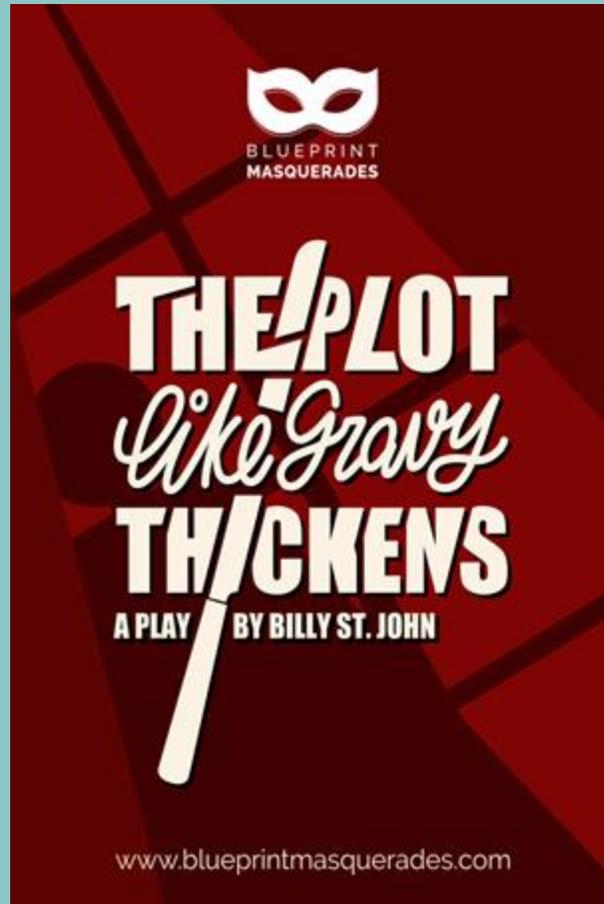


Theatersaal Uni Irchel			Reserve Tickets Now!
Friday	April 22	7:30 pm	 Free Admission blueprintmasquerades.com
Saturday	April 23	7:30 pm	
Wednesday	April 27	7:30 pm	
Thursday	April 28	7:30 pm	
Friday	April 29	7:30 pm	

Originally commissioned and produced by The Theatre Ensemble with support from the Dramaturg Guild Fund. Die Aufführung erfolgt durch besondere Genehmigung mit Central Theatresaal Zürich im Auftrage von Stadt Theaterhaus Letzli.



Past Productions



Extra Exclusive!

Kill Your Darlings



Psychological Tragedy

Activity Fair

September 24th

8:30-16:30

UZH Lichthof

Meet n Greet

September 24th

18:30-20:00

Theatre stage at Campus Irchel (Y21-F-65)

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Check out our **website!**
<https://blueprintmasquerades.com/>

