

Invitation to PhD students at Swedish universities to participate in

WORKSHOP: American Studies in Sweden
February 29th – March 1st, 2024 at Uppsala University

The Swedish Institute for North American Studies (**SINAS**) and the Swedish Association for American Studies (**SAAS**) invite you to a workshop open to all PhD students affiliated with a Swedish university whose research broadly relates to the study of North America.

This workshop will provide PhD students an opportunity to present their research and receive feedback from fellow PhD students and senior academics. The workshop also aims to develop an awareness and knowledge of American Studies as a research field and the networking possibilities within this field in Sweden and beyond.

American Studies in Sweden

In Sweden, there is an over century-long tradition of the study of North America, while American Studies as a distinct research field emerged in the United States in the 1950s. American Studies is now a broad and interdisciplinary field that encompasses the study of culture, society, history, politics, media, art, literature, and more.

Since the 1960s, there has been a PhD program in American literature at Uppsala University, and the Swedish Institute for North American Studies (SINAS) was established at Uppsala University in 1985. The Swedish Association for American Studies (SAAS), founded in 1997, aims to strengthen the field of American Studies in Sweden and bring researchers together through various activities and events.

Program

The program will begin with lunch on February 29th, and end with lunch on March 1st.

The workshop will primarily be devoted to presentations and discussions of PhD students' research. All PhD students are requested to send a text describing their dissertation projects (maximum 3000 words) to Christin Mays (christin.mays@engelska.uu.se) by **Monday, February 12th, 2024**. Texts will be distributed to all participants around one week before the workshop.

Registration

Participation in the workshop is free, including travel (within Sweden) and accommodation in Uppsala. PhD students who have attended previous workshops are also welcome!

The deadline for preliminary registration is **Friday, December 15th, 2023**. Please use our online registration form: <https://forms.gle/XZNLepY3E1Sv92P7>.

For additional information, contact Christin Mays (christin.mays@engelska.uu.se)

Welcome!

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