Relations between Europe and both North and South America are currently undergoing dramatic transformations. It is thus all the more important to explore the complex entanglements of multiple regions on both sides of the Atlantic. This is the main objective of the interdisciplinary Leibniz-ScienceCampus “Europe and America in the Modern World”.

The relationship between Europe and America has been constitutive of globalization, its inherent tensions and its fault lines since the late eighteenth century. The research programme of the Regensburg Science-Campus therefore focuses on the key sites of globalization and resistance to it, such as the tensions between migration and nativism. The Campus thus seeks to contribute to improving understandings of the history of globalization while also tracing current developments in transatlantic relations and encounters.

Following the interdisciplinary approach of contemporary area studies, the Regensburg ScienceCampus brings together researchers from various fields, including history, cultural studies, linguistics, literary studies, economics and the social sciences. A significant feature of the Campus is the extensive international network of partners involved. They are based across North and South America, and Eastern and Western Europe. “Europe and America in the Modern World” will thus work towards making Regensburg a leading centre for transregional area studies.