

Master of Arts in Literature (36 hours/credits)

[Unofficial degree plan, effective with 2008-2010 Catalog. If graduating fall 2008 or later, students who entered under an earlier Catalog may elect this degree plan.]

Guidelines:

From the courses listed below, choose courses that fit the following requirements:

>**Core Curriculum:** Take one course from each of areas 1-5 (15 hours).

>**Area of Specialization:** Take 2 to 3 additional courses in one area, choosing from areas 3-5 (6-9 hours).

>**Electives:** Take 2 to 3 courses from the list below, or other graduate courses from within or outside the department, with approval (6-9 hours).

>**Writing/Research Options:** Students must choose 1 of the 3 alternatives (A, B, C):

- Alternative A** - 36 hours (33 hours course work, 3 hours written examination/oral examination)
_____ ENGL 5391 Written Examination*
- Alternative B** - 36 hours (33 hours course work, 3 hours extended seminar paper, and paper defense)
_____ ENGL 5392 Masters of Arts Research Paper
- Alternative C**- 36 hours (30 hours course work, 6 hours thesis, and thesis defense)
_____ ENGL 5398 Thesis I
_____ ENGL 5399 Thesis II

1. Research Methods

_____ ENGL 5300 Introduction to Graduate Studies in English

2. Theory

_____ ENGL 5320 Critical Theory and Practice

_____ ENGL 53__ Designated in schedule as "meets theory requirement"

3. Studies in English Literature: 3 hours

_____ ENGL 5301 British Literature to 1485

_____ ENGL 5302 British Literature 1485-1660

_____ ENGL 5303 British Literature 1660-1832

_____ ENGL 5304 British Literature 1832-Present

Courses may be repeated once when topic varies.

4. Studies in American Literature: 3 hours

_____ ENGL 5305 American Literature: Exploration to 1800

_____ ENGL 5306 American Literature 1800-1865

_____ ENGL 5307 American Literature 1865-1945

_____ ENGL 5308 American Literature 1945-present

Courses may be repeated once when topic varies.

5. Studies in Multi-Cultural Literature: 3 hours

_____ ENGL 5321 Literature of the Americas

_____ ENGL 5322 Literature and Culture

_____ ENGL 5323 Multi-Cultural Literature: Theory and Practice

_____ ENGL 5324 Multi-Cultural Literature: Special Topics

Courses may be repeated once when topic varies.