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.

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