

English Department M.A. Graduation Worksheet

Literature Concentration Requirements

The M.A. Concentration in Literature is recommended for students preparing to teach at the community college level, for those whose objective is to pursue a Ph.D. in literature, or for high school teachers seeking to advance their understanding of literature and literary theory.

Total Units Required for Degree: 30

A. Required Core Curricula: 9 units

- ENGL 200A Methods and Materials of Literary Research _____
- ENGL 240 British Literature _____
- ENGL 250 American Literature **OR** _____
- ENGL 280 Minority Literature _____

B. Requisite Course Work: 18 units

- 200-Level Literature _____ _____
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- Open Elective _____ _____
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C. Culminating Requirement: 3 units

- ENGL 500 Culminating Experience _____

Notes:

- Requisite Course Work: Students must complete nine units of 200-level literature coursework, of which there can be no 299s or film courses. For the remaining nine units, students may diversify their coursework; open electives may be 100-level, 200-level, or 400-level. Be advised, only two 299s or 400-level courses may be applied to the open elective portion in section "B".
- Culminating Requirement: The culminating requirement for the Literature Concentration shall normally be the Comprehensive Examination; however, students who have earned a 3.7 GPA or better in 21 units in their graduate program may elect to write a thesis, provided they have two faculty willing to read and direct the thesis. To enroll in 500, students must have correctly filed an 'advancement to candidacy' form the semester before they enroll in 500.

Course Deviation:

- Any deviation (or substitution) for any of the required or elective courses should be discussed in advance with a faculty member in your concentration and with the Graduate Coordinator, whose approval must be obtained. In some areas of study, courses offered in other departments are acceptable, but acceptance is at the Graduate Coordinator's discretion and by no means automatic.