ENGLISH GRADUATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

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M.A. in English, Literature Emphasis
33 credit hours (27 hours coursework + 6 thesis hours)
• ENG 640, Critical Reading and Methods in English (3 hours)
• ENG 641, Advanced Research and Methods in English (3 hours)
• Non-Creative Writing English Courses (21 hours); within these courses, students must fulfill the following requirements:
  o 1 course in American literature to 1865
  o 1 course in American literature post 1865
  o 1 course in British literature to 1800
  o 1 course in British literature post 1800
  o 1 course designated non-traditional
  o 1 literary theory course or 1 course designated theory-rich
  o Note: a single course may fulfill up to 2 of the above requirements
• ENG 698, Thesis (6 hours)
• Proficiency in 1 foreign language

M.A. in English, Creative Writing Emphasis
30 credit hours (24 hours coursework + 6 thesis hours)
• Creative Writing Workshop, Fiction OR Poetry (6-9 hours)
• Creative Writing Electives (6-9 hours)
• Literature Courses (9 hours), one of which must be a theory course or a course designated theory-rich
• ENG 698, Thesis (6 hours)
• Proficiency in 1 foreign language

Ph.D. in English, Literature Emphasis
45 credit hours (33-36 hours coursework + 9-12 dissertation hours)
• ENG 640, Critical Reading and Methods in English (3 hours)
• ENG 641, Advanced Research and Methods in English (3 hours)
• Non-Creative Writing English Courses (27-30 hours); within these courses, students must fulfill the following requirements:
  o 1 early literature course (American Literature to 1865 OR British Literature to 1800)
  o 1 course in British literature
  o 1 course in American literature
  o 1 course designated non-traditional
  o 1 literary theory course or 1 course designated theory-rich
Note: a single course may fulfill up to 2 of the above requirements

- ENG 898, Dissertation (9-12 hours)
- Students must complete one research tool: either proficiency in one foreign language OR six graduate hours of coursework in an allied field of study approved by their advisor or the Graduate Program Coordinator.

M.A./Ph.D. Combo, Literature Emphasis
63 credit hours

- ENG 640, Critical Reading and Methods in English (3 hours)
- ENG 641, Advanced Research and Methods in English (3 hours)
- Non-Creative Writing English Courses (39-42 hours); within these courses, students must fulfill the following requirements:
  - 1 course in American literature to 1865
  - 1 course in American literature post 1865
  - 1 course in British literature to 1800
  - 1 course in British literature post 1800
  - 1 course designated non-traditional
  - 1 literary theory course or 1 course designated theory-rich
  - Note: a single course may fulfill up to 2 of the above requirements
- ENG 698, Thesis (6 hours)
- ENG 898, Dissertation (9-12 hours)
- Students must complete one research tool: either proficiency in one foreign language OR six graduate hours of coursework in an allied field of study approved by their advisor or the Graduate Program Coordinator.

Ph.D. in English, Creative Writing Emphasis
54 credit hours

- ENG 640, Critical Reading and Methods in English (3 hours)
- Creative Writing Workshops, Fiction OR Poetry (12-15 hours)
- Creative Writing Electives (6-9 hours)
- Literature Courses (21 hours); within these courses, students must fulfill the following requirements:
  - 1 early literature course (American Literature to 1865 OR British Literature to 1800)
  - 1 course designated non-traditional
  - 1 literary theory course or 1 course designated theory-rich
  - Note: a single course may fulfill up to 2 of the above requirements
- ENG 898, Dissertation (9-12 hours)
- Students must complete one research tool: either proficiency in one foreign language OR six graduate hours of coursework in an allied field of study approved by their advisor or the Graduate Program Coordinator.