

LITERATURE

Under the Literature concentration, students ground their study of literature in a series of introductory courses in major themes and historical approaches, intermediate courses in Shakespeare and literary theory, and a senior seminar that requires the development of a research project. Students complement these core courses with a selection of electives that engage specific genres, authors, and periods, as well as different disciplines (e.g. Literature and the Environment) and literatures of diversity (e.g. Native American Literature). M.A. students select graduate seminars in American, British, and world literatures as well as other disciplines, their course work culminating in either a traditional thesis or a portfolio of seminar papers revised in collaboration with a committee. The Literature concentration imparts an understanding of not only the aesthetic richness of canonical and emerging literatures but also the historical and cultural forces that have contributed to their making. The classes are of a size that makes discussion an important part of a student's experience.

Bachelor of Arts - English; Literature Concentration

College Humanities & Sciences

Degree Specific Credits: 36

Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0

Catalog Year: 2017-2018

Note: English majors with the concentration in Literature must earn 42-60 of their total credits in Department of English courses.

General Education Requirements

Information regarding these requirements can be found in the General Education Section (<http://catalog.umn.edu/academics/general-education-requirements>) of the catalog.

Summary

Students should take at least one course at or above the 200 level, that satisfies each of the following A, B, C, D designations:

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| Modern or Classical Language major requirement | |
| A Designation: American Literature | |
| B Designation: Pre-1700 British Literature | |
| C Designation: Literature c 1700-1900 (British or American) | |
| D Designation: Diversity (under-represented voices) | |
| English Core Courses | 15 |
| Upper-Division Courses and Electives | 18 |
| Literature Seminar Capstone | 3 |
| Modern or Classical Languages Requirement | |
| Total Hours | 36 |

English Core Courses

Rule: Must complete the following courses:

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| LIT 110L | Intro to Lit | 3 |
| Choose 2 courses from the following: | | 6 |

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| LIT 202L | The Environmental Imagination | |
| LIT 236L | Literary Histories | |
| LIT 246L | Genres, Themes, Approaches | |
| LIT 300 | Literary Criticism | 3 |
| LIT 327 | Shakespeare | 3 |
| Total Hours | | 15 |

Minimum Required Grade: C

Upper-Division Courses

Select 4 courses from the following, with at least one being a 400-level course: 12

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| LIT 301 | Studies in Literary Forms | |
| LIT 304 | U.S. Writers of Color | |
| LIT 305 | Lit by & About Native Amer | |
| LIT 314 | The American Novel | |
| LIT 315 | Voices of the Am Renaissance | |
| LIT 331 | Major Author/s | |
| LIT 342 | Montana Writers | |
| LIT 343 | African American Lit | |
| LIT 344 | Asian American Literature | |
| LIT 349L | Medieval Lit | |
| LIT 350L | Chaucer | |
| LIT 353L | Milton | |
| LIT 355 | British Romanticism | |
| LIT 363 | Modern Poetry | |
| LIT 369 | Short Fiction | |
| LIT 370 | Science Fiction | |
| LIT 373 | Lit & Environment | |
| LIT 376 | Lit & Other Disciplines | |
| LIT 378L | Gay and Lesbian Studies | |
| LIT 380 | Literary Approaches to Drama | |
| LIT 391 | Special Topics | |
| LIT 402 | Literature in Place | |
| LIT 420 | Critical Theory | |
| LIT 421 | History of Criticism & Theory | |
| LIT 422 | Ecocritical Theory & Practice | |
| LIT 430 | Studies in Comparative Lit | |
| LIT 491 | Special Topics | |
| Total Hours | | 12 |

Minimum Required Grade: C

Upper Division English Electives

Rule: Select any two upper-division courses (6 credits) from the course prefixes CRWR, IRSH, FILM, LING, LIT, or WRIT. All courses must be 300- or 400-level.

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| Select any two upper-division courses from course prefixes: CRWR, IRSH, FILM, LING, LIT, or WRIT. All courses must be 300- or 400-level. | 6 |
| Total Hours | 6 |

Minimum Required Grade: C-

Upper Division English Electives

Literature Seminar Capstone

Must complete the following Course:

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| LIT 494 | Seminar: Lit Capstone | 3 |
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| Total Hours | | 3 |
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Minimum Required Grade: C-

Modern or Classical Language major requirement

Rule: Complete the 202-level proficiency in either a modern or classical language other than English

Note: Students may either take four sequential semesters (101, 102, 201, 202) of a modern or classical language or exemplify proficiency through examination (available through the Modern and Classical Languages and Literature Department).

Minimum Required Grade: C-