

ENGLISH, MA

The Master of Arts in English provides students with a strong practical and theoretical grounding as they prepare to move forward into careers or into graduate and professional schools. Students will learn 1) advanced methods for deeper study of literature written in English, 2) the fundamentals of Composition as a discipline, and 3) practical writing skills through courses in professional and rhetorical writing. Courses will place texts within wider cultural and multicultural debates. Through assigned writings students will articulate informed viewpoints on real-world issues and practice various forms of professional and critical writing, learning to interpret texts in contexts ranging from academic debate to the contemporary classroom to a variety of professional settings.

Admission Requirements

In addition to the graduate application and official transcripts, applicants must submit a statement of purpose. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		18
ENGL 611	Argument and Research Writing	
ENGL 673	Theories of Composition	
ENGL 665	Literary Criticism or ENGL 690 Critical Approaches to Literature	
ENGL 689	Seminar in English ¹	
ENGL 699	Master's Thesis/Capstone or ENGL 698 Individual Reading in English	
One additional 600-level Literature Course		
Electives		12
Students must take 12 additional credits in English at the 500 or 600-level.		
Total Hours		30

¹ For the ENGL 689 Seminar in English requirement one of the following two courses must be taken: Seminar in English: Grant Writing (3 credits) or Seminar in English: Professional Writing Theory and Practice (3 credits). Only these specific courses will fulfill the requirement. No other ENGL 689 Seminar will be accepted for this requirement.

Graduation Requirement: Candidates for graduation must see the Department of English Graduate Coordinator to complete the departmental Graduate Student Survey.