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## **English and Creative Writing**

The School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities offers programs leading to the Master of Arts and the Doctor of Philosophy degrees in English and to the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing. Students enrolled in a program leading to the Master of Science in Education degree may take courses in English to satisfy requirements for the teaching specialty. Students enrolled in the Ph.D. in Education program may take courses in English for the elective portion of the program when permitted.

### Admission

Students seeking admission to the graduate program in English must first be admitted by the Graduate School before they can be admitted to the School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities.

Students seeking admission to the M.A. in English and Ph.D. in English degree programs may submit scores for the general tests of the Graduate Record Examination. M.F.A. in Creative Writing applicants are strongly advised to submit these scores as well. Information about admission may be obtained by calling 618-453-5321 or by writing: Director of Graduate Studies, School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, Carbondale, IL 62901-4503. Email: gradengl@siu.edu.

This program requires a nonrefundable \$65 application fee that must be submitted with the application for Admissions to Graduate Study in English. Applicants must pay this fee by credit card.

### **Transfer Credit**

Within limits imposed by the Graduate School, transfer credits will be accepted by the School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities subject to the following restrictions:

The student must petition the Director of Graduate Studies giving the following information: the number and level of hours being submitted for credit, where and when the work was done, the grade received, and course descriptions and syllabi. As nearly as possible, the course to be transferred should be equated with a course offered by the School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities. An appropriate faculty member will recommend whether the transfer credit hours should be accepted and whether the course satisfies the course distribution requirements of the program. The Director of Graduate Studies will forward a recommendation to the proper authorities.

### Retention

In the entire graduate program, the student may accumulate up to three credit hours of work below B, so long as a 3.0 M.A. in English or 3.25 Ph.D. in English average is maintained. If the student has accumulated more than three credit hours, but fewer than 10 credit hours, of grades below B, these must be replaced by an equal number of credit hours of A or B in addition to maintaining the required average. That is, the minimum number of credit hours of course work may be increased from 30 to a maximum of 36. A student who accumulates more than nine credit hours of C will be dropped from the program.

A student who is granted a deferred or incomplete grade must complete the work by the end of the next term in residence. Exception to this rule will be made only in a very special case and must be made through petition to the Graduate Studies Committee. A student who has accumulated more than six credit hours of such work will not be allowed to register for more course work until the total of deferred work is reduced to not more than three credit hours. Deferred or incomplete work will be regarded as finished when a student has submitted all examinations, papers, etc., to the instructor. Deferred or incomplete grades in ENGL 595, ENGL 600, and ENGL 601 are not included in the above regulations.

### **Course Work**

Students may offer work from outside the School (in a single field or in two or more related fields) toward the Master of Arts in English, the Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing, or the Ph.D. in English degree provided that the work does not interfere with regular requirements of the School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities and has relevance to their program.

## Master of Arts (M.A.) in English

The School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities offers three areas of concentration in the M.A. in English program: 1) Literature, 2) Rhetoric and Composition, and 3) English Studies. The Master of Arts degree in English with a concentration in Literature or Rhetoric and Composition requires satisfactory completion of 30 credit hours, of which at least 15 must be earned in 500-level courses at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

All students must satisfy the following requirements:

#### 1. Core courses:

Four literature courses: two from Group I, representing two different historical periods; and two from Group II, representing two different historical periods - 12 credit hours.

#### Group I:

(a) Old and Middle English literatures

- (b) Renaissance and 17th Century English literature
- (c) Restoration and 18th Century English literature
- (d)19th Century English literature

#### Group II:

(a) American literature before 1900

- (b) American literature since 1900
- (c) Modern British literature
- (d) Modern Continental literature
- 2. Concentrations: Satisfactory completion of one of the concentrations detailed below.
- Foreign Language: This requirement may be satisfied by completing, with an average not less than B, two years of college-level work in one foreign language or the equivalent. Equivalent work will be judged on an ad-hoc basis by the Director of Graduate Studies.
- 4. **Research paper/thesis:** This requirement may be satisfied either by submitting to the Director of Graduate Studies two copies of a research paper which has received a grade of not less than *B* in a 500-level English course (a rhetoric/composition course for students in that concentration), or by taking ENGL 599 (three credit hours) and writing an acceptable thesis.
- 5. Final examination: This requirement must be satisfied as specified below.

### **English Studies Concentration**

The M.A. in English with a concentration in English Studies requires satisfactory completion of 36 credit hours, of which at least 18 must be earned in 500-level courses at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

All students in the English Studies concentration must satisfy the following requirements:

#### 1. Core Courses:

At least one course from seven of the following areas:

- (a) Language and Grammar Studies
- (b) Old/Medieval English Literature
- (c) Renaissance/17th Century British Literature
- (d) Restoration/18th Century British Literature
- (e)19th Century British Literature
- (f) Early American Literature
- (g) Modern American Literature
- (h) Modern British Literature
- (i) Modern Continental Literature
- (j) Composition and Rhetoric

- 2. Electives: 15 credit hours, which may be taken outside the English program.
- 3. Final Examination: None beyond required coursework.

Students in the English Studies concentration may request a graduate assistantship provided they receive all GA training required by the School of Literature, Writing, and Digital Humanities. Priority, however, is given to students in the other two areas of concentration because those areas of concentration are designed to meet the specific needs of students preparing to teach at the college or university level.

#### Literature Concentration

- 1. ENGL 401 or ENGL 402 or ENGL 403 three credit hours
- 2. Two additional literature courses so that a student has covered three periods in Group I and three periods in Group II six credit hours
- 3. Electives should include a literary criticism/theory course and may include ENGL 599 six credit hours
- 4. Satisfactory completion of a written examination over three historical periods and a reading list. A student who fails the examination may take it a second time. A third examination may be allowed, but only by special permission of the Director of Graduate Studies. If the examination committee deems it useful an oral examination may be scheduled after the written examination to determine the grade for the examination. Any student choosing to take the M.A. in English qualifying examination must also file with the Graduate School a clean and properly formatted research paper which has earned the grade of *B* or better in a 500-level English course or a completed M.A. in English thesis.
- 5. Students may write an M.A. in English thesis, provided they submit an application (including thesis topic and title, signatures of committee members, and a letter or support from their thesis director) and it is approved by the Graduate Studies Committee.

### **Rhetoric and Composition Concentration**

- 1. ENGL 401 3 credit hours
- 2. ENGL 596 3 credit hours
- 3. ENGL 597 3 credit hours
- 4. One of the following (3 credit hours): ENGL 501, ENGL 581, ENGL 491, or an appropriate special topics course (this decision is to be made in consultation with the Area Head of Rhetoric and Composition).
- 5. ENGL 599 (3 credit hours)
- 6. Satisfactory completion of either: 1) a research portfolio and oral portfolio defense, or 2) a thesis and oral thesis defense. In either case, the student will follow specific guidelines established by the Rhetoric and Composition faculty.

## Master of Fine Arts (M.F.A.) in Creative Writing

The Master of Fine Arts in Creative Writing requires satisfactory completion of 48 credit hours, of which at least 24 must be earned in 500-level courses at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

All students must satisfy the following requirements:

- 1. **Core courses:** ENGL 592 - 20 credit hours ENGL 594 - 4 credit hours
- Recommended and elective courses: As prescribed by the creative writing faculty 15 credit hours
- 3. **Candidacy Review:** In the spring semester of a student's second year in the M.F.A. in Creative Writing program, all students undergo a formal candidacy review. By April 10, faculty in each subspecialty (fiction and poetry) will submit to the director of creative writing a synopsis of each student's progress to date, as well as a finalized thesis committee. In those instances where the faculty finds that a student has not demonstrated satisfactory creative or professional progress and/ or cannot form a thesis committee, the student will meet with the Director of Graduate Studies and

all faculty members in the student's subspecialty to determine the nature of the deficiency. The faculty may recommend to the Director of Graduate Studies at this meeting that the student be required to complete remediation, that the student be allowed to continue in the program without sanction, or that the student be removed from the program. In the last case, the creative writing faculty will then submit a written recommendation for removal from the program to the Director of Graduate Studies and the graduate studies committee. Within five working days of receiving this recommendation, the Director of Graduate Studies will request a written response from the affected student. The student will have five days to respond in writing. Within five days of receiving this response, the director will convene a meeting of the graduate studies committee. Should the graduate studies committee concur with the creative writing faculty's recommendation, the student will be removed from the program. This decision will then be subject to the Graduate School's academic grievance policy detailed herein.

- 4. Thesis: ENGL 599 6 credit hours
- 5. **Final oral examination:** Over thesis and coursework. The oral examination/thesis defense is open to the public.

## Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in English

Students must apply formally for admission to the Doctor of Philosophy in English degree program, including students who have earned a master's degree at SIU Carbondale. Admission to the Ph.D. in English program is decided by the Graduate Studies Committee, which makes its decision according to the following criteria:

- 1. An M.A. degree in English or its equivalent
- 2. Appropriate grade-point average (normally, a 3.25 is the acceptable minimum)
- 3. Quality of the submitted writing sample and the compatibility of a student's proposed area of focus with faculty expertise

A full-time student holding a master's degree can complete the doctoral program in English in two years, though most prefer three. Students are considered Ph.D. in English candidates when they have: (1) completed the prescribed course of study, (2) satisfied the research-tool requirements, (3) passed preliminary examinations, and (4) been recommended by the English graduate faculty. The Graduate School recognizes students as Ph.D. in English candidates after it receives notification that the students have passed preliminary examinations. Students must be admitted to candidacy at least six months prior to the final examination on the dissertation.

### Accelerated Entry into the Ph.D. in English Degree Program

A student enrolled in the M.A. in English degree program may petition the Graduate Director after two semesters in residence for waiver of the requirement of the M.A. in English degree as prerequisite for admission to the doctoral program and for direct entry into the Ph.D. in English in accordance with the following conditions: first, the student must be an exceptional graduate student whose outstanding academic achievements must be supported by a wide range of conclusive evidence including, but not restricted to, the G.P.A., G.R.E. scores, M.A. in English degree research tool requirement, and evaluative letters from graduate instructors; second, the student must present one graduate research paper of outstanding quality, or a published article of appropriate quality, or the equivalent for the school files. The petition shall be presented to the Graduate Studies Committee for approval. If accelerated entry is granted, the student will proceed toward the Ph.D. in English degree requirements as part of the Ph.D. in English degree requirements as part of the Ph.D. in English degree work, but will not receive the M.A. in English degree.

### Direct Entry into the Ph.D. in English Degree Program

Applicants with exceptional research potential or outstanding academic preparation may have the option to enter the doctoral program after completion of a bachelor's degree only. No previous course work at the graduate level is allowed. Students admitted via direct entry will not receive a master's degree.

The program must be approved for direct entry and the student must have at least a 3.00 GPA on approximately the last two years of undergraduate course work.

### **Course of Study**

The Ph.D. degree in English requires, at minimum, 30 credit hours of coursework (of which at least 15 should be earned at the 500 level at Southern Illinois University Carbondale), and 24 credit hours of dissertation at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. Required courses are as follows:

- 1. A pro-seminar to be taken in the first year of doctoral study;
- 2. Two graduate courses in literary theory or rhetorical theory or cultural studies;
- 3. Any courses prescribed by a student's advisory committee to ensure appropriate knowledge of a major area and two minor areas, normally with at least one 500-level course completed for credit, with no grade lower than B, in each minor area.

### **Research Tool Requirements**

A student may satisfy the research tool requirement by fulfilling one of the two options listed below. The choice of option and languages selected must be approved by the student's advisory committee.

- 1. Command of one language demonstrated by examination in the Languages, Cultures, and International Trade program. International students may specify their native language as long as they demonstrate fluency in English as well, or
- 2. Reading knowledge of one foreign language demonstrated by a minimum three years course work (or its equivalent) at the college level in one language with a grade no lower than a "B." Students who take research courses in any language are required to take at least two more courses at the 300- or 400-level in the same language.

The school has expanded its Ph.D. in English program into interdisciplinary studies on a cooperative basis with programs that deal with one pertinent subject matter and which are interested in such interdisciplinary cooperation, e.g., the School of History and Philosophy, the School of Languages and Linguistics, the College of Arts and Media, the School of Communication Studies, School of Theater and Dance, the School of Anthropology, Political Science, and Sociology, etc. Permission for an interdisciplinary minor must be approved by the student's committee and the Graduate Studies Committee.

### The Preliminary Exam Advisory Committee and the Program of Study Proposal

Following admission to the Ph.D. in English program, and before the completion of the second year (i.e., fourth semester) in doctoral residence, a Ph.D. in English student is required to form an academic advisory committee (hereafter referred to as the Preliminary Examination Committee) and to prepare a Program of Study Proposal. The Preliminary Examination Committee will consist of four members of the graduate faculty in English. The Chair of the Committee and one other member will normally represent the student's major area of interest; each of the remaining two members will normally represent one of the minor areas of interest. Within the limits of this distribution, the student may, usually upon consulting the Chair of the Preliminary Examination Committee will comprise the nucleus of the Dissertation Committee. As soon as the Preliminary Examination Committee is formed, it becomes the responsibility of all its members to oversee the student's program and academic progress.

If a student has not formed a Preliminary Examination Committee by April 15 of the fourth semester in the program, then the student will undergo the formal candidacy review process detailed herein. The Director of Graduate Studies will first consult the student in question to determine the reason for the delay in constituting the Preliminary Examination Committee. In those instances where the director finds that the delay is the result of a simple deadline mismanagement, no action will be taken. In those instances where the Director finds that a student as not demonstrated satisfactory scholarly or professional progress and/or cannot form a thesis committee, the student will meet with the Director of Graduate Studies and all faculty members in the student's area ("area" means either historical period or conceptual focus) to determine the nature of the deficiency. After the meeting, the faculty in the student's area may recommend to the Director of Graduate Studies that the student be required to complete remediation, that

the student be allowed to continue in the program without sanction, that the student be granted an extra semester to complete the program of study, or that the student be removed from the program. The faculty in the student's major area will submit a written recommendation to the Director of Graduate Studies. If the faculty recommend removal, this recommendation will go to the graduate studies committee. Within five working days of receiving this recommendation, the Director of Graduate Studies will request a written response from the affected student. The student will have five days to respond in writing. Within five days of receiving this response, the Director will convene a meeting of the graduate studies committee. Should the graduate studies committee concur with the faculty's recommendation, the student will be removed from the program. This decision will then be subject to the Graduate School's academic grievance policy.

#### **Preliminary Examinations**

Students on a fellowship or a graduate assistantship will be expected to take preliminary examinations no later than two or three years, respectively, after receipt of their M.A. in English degree.

Preliminary examinations covering three areas are prepared and graded by the student's advisory committee. A major examination may consist of one six-hour written exam or one take-home literature review essay. A minor area examination may consist of a three-hour written exam or a comparable take-home literature review essay. Regardless of format, all preliminary exams conclude with an oral defense.

The committee may require the student to complete further work or testing for any minor section receiving a "Low Pass" grade. The committee must require further work or testing for any entire examination that receives a "Low Pass" grade. A student who fails the preliminary examination may request to take it a second time.

### **English and Creative Writing Courses**

**ENGL401 - Modern English Grammars** Survey of the structure of English, with emphasis on phonetics and phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, grammar instruction, stylistics and language variation. Specifically designed to meet the needs of prospective teachers of composition and language arts at the secondary and college levels. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL402 - Old English Language and Literature** Introduction to the language, literature and culture of Anglo-Saxon England, with emphasis on Old English heroic and elegiac poetry, exclusive of Beowulf. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL404A - Medieval Allegory, History and Romance** Three popular Medieval genres as represented by major texts of the early through the late Middle Ages, exclusive of Chaucer, including works such as Dream of the Rood, Sir Orfeo, Sir Gawain and the Green Knight, Piers Plowman, The Book of Margery Kempe and selections from Lawman's Brut and Malory's Le Morte Darthur. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL404B - Medieval Lyric, Ballad and Drama** Lyric, ballad and drama from the early through the late Middle Ages, including translations of the Old English Wife's Lament, Husband's Message, Wanderer, and Seafarer, as well as Middle English religious and love lyrics and the Robin Hood ballads, with special emphasis on the great plays of the fifteenth century and the rebirth of drama in the Western World. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL423 - Modern British Poetry** Major modernists (Yeats, Eliot, Pound), with selected works of Auden, Owen, Thomas, Heaney and others. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL425 - Modern Continental Poetry** Representative poems by major 20th century poets of France, Italy, Germany, Spain, Russia, and Greece. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL427 - American Poetry from 1900 to the Present** The more important poets since 1900. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL433 - Religion and Literature** Introduce students to the study of religious meaning as it is found in literature. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL437 - American Literature to 1800** Representative works and authors from the period of exploration and settlement to the Federal period. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL445 - Cultural Backgrounds of Western Literature** (Same as CLAS 445) A study of ancient Greek and Roman literature, Dante's Divine Comedy, and Goethe's Faust, as to literary type and historical influence on later Western writers. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL446 - Caribbean Literature** Representative texts from drama, poetry, and fiction that have shaped black diaspora aesthetics in the Caribbean, with special reference to black literature of the North American continent. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL447 - African Literature** Selected works of poetry, drama, and fiction by modern African authors. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL448B - Irish Literature** Major works, authors, genres, periods, or movements within Irish Literature. Topics will vary (i.e., Irish Women Writers, Joyce and Yeats, The King Tales, 19th Century Irish Writers, the Celtic Twilight, Contemporary Irish Poets, etc.), providing in-depth study in particular areas within the 16 centuries of Irish Literature. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL455 - Modern Continental Fiction** Selected major works of Europe and authors such as Mann, Silone, Camus, Kafka, Malraux, Hesse. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL458 - American Fiction to 1900** Trends and techniques in the American novel and short story. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL460 - Elizabethan and Jacobean Drama** Elizabethan drama excluding Shakespeare: such Elizabethan playwrights as Greene, Peele, Marlowe, Dekker; and Jacobean drama: such Jacobean and Caroline playwrights as Jonson, Webster, Marston, Middleton, Beaumont and Fletcher, Massinger, Ford, Shirley. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL464 - Modern British Drama** Major writers (including Shaw and Synge), with selected works of later dramatists such as Churchill and Bond. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL465 - Modern Continental Drama** The continental drama of Europe since 1870; representative plays of Scandinavia, Russia, Germany, France, Italy, Spain and Portugal. Credit Hours: 3

ENGL468 - American Drama The rise of drama, with emphasis on the 20th century. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL469 - Contemporary Topics in Drama** Varying topics on cross-national and cross-cultural 20thcentury drama with focus on theoretical issues. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL485A - Teaching Writing and Language in the Secondary School** Introduction to strategies for teaching English in the secondary school with emphasis on writing and language. Introduction to assessment of writing perception and skills. Assessment and tutoring of child from the community in writing. Ideally, course should be taken two semesters prior to student teaching. Restricted to: Admittance to Teacher Education Program through CoEHS. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL485B - Teaching Reading and Literature in the Secondary School** Introduction to strategies for teaching English in the secondary school with emphasis on critical reading skills and various genres of literature, including contemporary adolescent literature. Introduction to assessment of reading perception and skills. Assessment and tutoring of child from the community in reading. Ideally, course should be taken the semester prior to student teaching. Restricted to: Admittance to Teacher Education Program through CoEHS. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL491 - Rhetoric and Writing Studies as a Field** An introduction to the field of Rhetoric and Writing Studies. The course covers both the history of Rhetoric and Writing Studies and the major theoretical debates organizing research and teaching in the field today. The course explores how the insights of Rhetoric and Writing Studies can be applied to non-academic and professional writing contexts. This course is recommended for advanced undergraduate students interested in graduate study in Rhetoric and Composition and graduate students. Prerequisite: C average in ENGL 101 and ENGL 102; or C in

ENGL 120H; or equivalent. Open to English majors and minors and graduate students in English or with consent of department. Credit Hours: 3. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL493 - Special Topics in Literature and Language** Topics vary and are announced in advance; both students and faculty suggest ideas. May be repeated as the topic varies. Credit Hours: 3-9

**ENGL493H - Special Topics in Literature and Language** (Same as ENGL 493) Topics vary and are announced in advance; both students and faculty suggest ideas. May be repeated as the topic varies. Prerequisites: ENGL 101 and 102 or ENGL 120H (undergraduates) with a grade of C or better. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL494 - Cultural Analysis and Cinema** Cultural Studies exploring various and selected topics in European and American Cinema. A \$10 screening fee is required. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL495 - A Survey of Literary Criticism** Introduction to the history of criticism and major recent schools of literary criticism and theory. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL498 - Internships** For English majors only. Student may take up to nine semester hours to receive credit for internships that may be available at SIU Press, Special Collections, University Museum, Coal Center, Writing Center, Computer Lab and other faculty or unit-sponsored projects. Prerequisite: Written approval from department & academic unit and enrollment in English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-9

**ENGL499 - Readings in Literature and Language** For English majors only. Prior written departmental approval required. May be repeated as the topic varies, up to the maximum of six semester hours. Restricted to enrollment in English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 1-3

**ENGL500 - Proseminar** Research methodology involved in writing a critical or scholarly work on literary topics for doctoral students in literature. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL501 - Research in Composition** Seminar in qualitative and quantitative research methods in composition and its teaching. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL502 - Teaching College Composition** An introduction to methods and materials related to the teaching of basic compositional skills on the college level. This course is required of all graduate assistants who have no previous college teaching experience or no familiarity with basic research techniques. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL503 - Professional Development** Theory and practice for teaching composition in teachercentered, workshop, discussion, and computer courses (Fall). Scholarly publication, course development, professional trends (Spring). Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program. Credit Hours: 2

**ENGL504 - Professional Development in Creative Writing** Practicum in preparation and submission of creative work for publication, and in preparation for and application for writers' conferences, fellowships, and internships in creative writing. Restricted to and required for first-semester MFA candidates. Credit Hours: 1

**ENGL505 - Middle English Literature: Chaucer** Major works of Chaucer, with focus on placing The Canterbury Tales in the context of 14th and 15th century English belle lettres, and exploration of how the major cultural, social, political, and religious events of the time intersect with Chaucer's writings. Students who have completed ENGL 405 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL506 - Old and Middle English Studies** Seminars on various topics from Old and Middle English literature. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL510 - Renaissance Studies** Seminars in varying topics concerned with the literature of the 16th and 17th centuries and the drama of Shakespeare. May be repeated only with different topics and

the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL512 - English Non-Dramatic Literature: The Renaissance** This course focuses on 17th-century metaphysical poets such as Donne, Herbert and Marvell. Students who have completed ENGL 412 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL513 - English Non-Dramatic Literature : The Restoration and Earlier Eighteenth Century** Major works of Dryden, Pope, Swift, and the non-dramatic specialties of Behn, Addison, and Steele. Students who have completed ENGL 413 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL514 - English Non-Dramatic Literature: The Later Eighteenth Century** Major poets from Thomson to Blake, and major prose writers, with emphasis on Johnson, Boswell, and their circle. Students who have completed ENGL 414 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL516 - Restoration and 18th Century Studies** Seminars in varying topics concerning the literature of the period. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL521 - English Romantic Literature** Wordsworth, Coleridge, Byron, Shelley, Keats, and other writers of the era and movement. Students who have completed ENGL 421 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL522 - Victorian Poetry** Tennyson, Browning, Arnold, and other poets from this period in England. Students who have completed ENGL 422 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL526 - American Poetry to 1900** Trends and techniques in American poetry to 1900. Students who have completed ENGL 426 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL530 - Century English Literature** Seminars in various topics concerning the literature of the Romantic and Victorian periods. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL533 - American Literature Before 1900** Seminars in varying topics. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL536 - Major American Writers** Significant writers from Puritans to the present. May be repeated only if topic varies, and with consent of program. Students who have completed ENGL 436 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL539 - American Literature After 1900** Seminars in varying topics. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL550 - Modern British Literature** Seminars in varying topics concerning Modern British literature. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL551 - Eighteenth Century English Fiction** The novel from Defoe, Fielding, and Richardson to Jane Austen. May be repeated only if topic varies and with consent of program. Students who have completed ENGL 451 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL552 - Nineteenth Century English Fiction** The Victorian novel from 1830, including works by the Brontes, Dickens, George Eliot, Hardy, Thackeray, and others. May be repeated only if topic varies and with consent of program. Students who have completed ENGL 452 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL553 - Modern British Fiction** Major British writers from early- to mid-20th Century, including Joyce, Woolf, Conrad, and Lawrence. May be repeated only if topic varies and with consent of program. Students who have completed ENGL 453 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL555 - Irish Studies** Seminars on varying topics in Irish and Irish immigration studies; interdisciplinary/cultural studies approaches. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL559A - American Prose from 1900 to Mid-Century: The Modern Age** Representative narratives from 1900 to post-World War II period. Students who have completed ENGL 459A are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL559B - American Prose from Mid-Century to the Present: The Postmodern Age** Representative narratives from the post-WWII era to the present. Students who have completed ENGL 459B are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL562 - English Restoration and 18th Century Drama** Representative types of plays from Dryden to Sheridan. Students who have completed ENGL 462 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL571 - Shakespeare: The Early Plays, Histories, and Comedies** Such plays as Midsummer Night's Dream, The Merchant of Venice, The Taming of the Shrew, Henry IV Part I, Henry V, and Much Ado about Nothing. Students who have completed ENGL 471 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL572 - Shakespeare: The Major Tragedies, Dark Comedies, and Romances** Such plays as Hamlet, Macbeth, Othello, King Lear, Measure for Measure, The Winter's Tale, and The Tempest. Students who have completed ENGL 472 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL573 - Milton** Minor poems, Paradise Lost, Paradise Regained, Samson Agonistes, and the major treatises. Students who have completed ENGL 473 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL579 - Studies in Modern Literature** May be repeated only if the topic varies, and with consent of department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL580 - Young Adult Literature in a Multicultural Society** Introduction to the evaluation of literary materials for junior high and high school ages. Emphasis on critical approaches and multicultural features of this material. Students who have completed ENGL 481 are ineligible to enroll. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL581 - Problems in Teaching English** May be repeated only if the topic varies, and with consent of department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL582 - Issues in Writing Program Administration** Seminars in varying topics concerning writing program administration. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of department. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL583I - Internship in Writing Program Administration** An internship in WPA builds on four components: readings, activities or job tasks, written tasks, and a portfolio of artifacts and reflections representing the experience. These internships provide opportunities for interested students to implement practically what they are learning through research and reading. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL588 - Comprehensive Exam Readings** Preparatory for MA comprehensive exam. May be taken once only; grade of S/U. Restricted to enrollment in English program or consent of department. Restricted to MA students in English. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL589 - Readings in Literature and Language** For English graduate students only. Prior written departmental approval required. May be repeated as the topic varies. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL591 - Seminar in Literary Nonfiction** Critical reading and analysis of one of the major forms of literary nonfiction (biography, autobiography, popular science, the essay, literary journalism, and travel narratives). May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Special approval needed from the instructor. Credit Hours: 3-9

**ENGL592 - Creative Writing Seminar** Advanced workshops offered in both fiction and poetry. Class content derives primarily from student's work. Genre announced in advance. May be repeated with consent of department. Restricted to enrollment in English MFA program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 4

**ENGL593 - Special Topics** Seminars in varying topics concerning language and literature. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL594 - Contemporary Literature Seminar** Advanced seminars offered in both contemporary poetry and contemporary fiction. Taught by creative writers and designed for students concentrating in creative writing. Restricted to enrollment in English MFA program or consent of department. May be repeated for credit with different section numbers. Credit Hours: 4

**ENGL595 - Independent Readings** Preparatory for preliminary examinations for doctoral students in English. May be taken once only, grade of S/U, according to the result of the preliminary examination. Credit Hours: 1-9

**ENGL596 - Language Studies** Seminars in varying topics concerning rhetoric, grammar and literacy. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in English graduate degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL597 - Composition Theory** Historical and analytical approaches to theories of discourse, theories of composing and theories of pedagogy. Prerequisite: ENGL 502 or equivalent. Credit Hours: 3

**ENGL598 - Studies in Issues of Literary Theory** Seminars on various issues of literary theory. May be repeated only with different topics and the consent of the department. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3-12

**ENGL599 - Thesis** For Masters' students who elect to write a thesis in lieu of one three hour graduate course. Prerequisite: successful completion of 15 hours of graduate work on the Master's degree. Special approval needed from the thesis director. Restricted to enrollment in an English degree program or consent of department. Credit Hours: 3

ENGL600 - Dissertation Credit Hours: 1-36

**ENGL601 - Continuing Enrollment** For those graduate students who have not finished their degree programs and who are in the process of working on their dissertation, thesis, or research paper. The student must have completed a minimum of 24 hours of dissertation research, or the minimum thesis, or research hours before being eligible to register for this course. Concurrent enrollment in any other course is not permitted. Graded S/U or DEF only. Credit Hours: 1

**ENGL699 - Postdoctoral Research** Must be a Postdoctoral Fellow. Concurrent enrollment in any other course is not permitted. Credit Hours: 1

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