

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE, DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.)

**Advance to Candidacy:** In addition to the course requirements below, students must pass a qualifying examination in their areas of specialization and demonstrate, through examination or coursework, evidence of competence in a second language related to their areas of specialization. During the semester students take their qualifying exam, they must enroll in a section of ENGL898 Pre-Candidacy Research with their advisor to get guidance in preparing for the exam.

**Post-Candidacy:** Students must complete at least 12 credits of ENGL899 Doctoral Dissertation Research as well as successfully defend and submit an original dissertation.

**Language Literacy:** All students are required to have a reading knowledge of one language other than English.

## Course Requirements for Students Entering without a Master's Degree

A minimum of 45 credits of coursework is required for students entering the doctoral program without an M.A. degree.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
ENGL601	Introduction to Graduate Studies	3
ENGL611	Approaches to College Composition	3
<b>Distribution Electives</b>		<b>12</b>
Literary Studies Track: Students must take two courses (6 credits) in the following periods: Beginnings and Medieval, Early Modern, Long 18th Century, or Nineteenth Century. They must also take two courses (6 credits) in either Modern or Contemporary time periods. <sup>1,2</sup>		
Language, Writing, and Rhetoric Studies Track: Students must take four courses (12 credits) in their area of study in consultation with their advisors. <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Electives</b>		<b>12</b>
Additional courses taken at the 600-700 level.		
ENGL898	Pre-Candidacy Research	3
<b>Dissertation Research Requirements</b>		<b>12</b>
ENGL899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>45</b>

<sup>1</sup> Courses to be selected and confirmed in consultation with the student's advisor.

<sup>2</sup> This can be done in any combination of two courses within this distribution.

## Course Requirements for Students Entering with a Master's degree

A minimum of 39 credits of coursework is required for students entering the doctoral program with an M.A. degree. Their prior M.A. coursework will be evaluated to see how they fulfill the distribution requirements.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Core Requirements</b>		
ENGL601	Introduction to Graduate Studies	3
ENGL611	Approaches to College Composition	3
<b>Distribution Requirements</b>		<b>12</b>
Literary Studies Track: Students must take two courses (6 credits) in any of the following periods: Beginnings and Medieval, Early Modern, Long 18th Century, or Nineteenth Century. They must also take two courses (6 credits) in either Modern or Contemporary periods. <sup>1,2</sup>		
Language, Writing, and Rhetoric (LWR) Track: Studies must take four courses (12 credits) in LWR fields <sup>1</sup>		
<b>Electives</b>		<b>6</b>
Additional courses taken at the 600-700 level.		
ENGL898	Pre-Candidacy Research	3
<b>Dissertation Research Requirements</b>		<b>12</b>
ENGL899	Doctoral Dissertation Research	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>39</b>

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