ENGLISH

OVERVIEW

The degree combines the history of literatures in English, from the Medieval period to the 21st century, with literary theory and cultural criticism. The department also has graduate faculty who specialize in Film and Television Studies, and Rhetoric and Composition.

DEGREES

- English M.A.

FACULTY

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Courses

ENGS 201. Sem Engl Lang or Critical Thry. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Origins and Development of the English Language;" "Re-disciplining the History of Literature and the Literature of History. Prerequisites: ENGS 086, six hours at the intermediate level, and Instructor permission.

ENGS 202. Sem Engl Lang or Critical Thry. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Origins and Development of the English Language;" "Re-disciplining the History of Literature and the Literature of History;" "Women’s Texts. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 211. Sem in Composition & Rhetoric. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Writing the New Yorker;" "Writing Vermont Life;" "Editing and Publishing. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

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ENGS 221. Seminar in Literature to 1800. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Women in 17th Century English Poetry; Dante and the Experience of Reading;" "Orality and Textuality in Middle English Literature. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 222. Seminar in Literature to 1800. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Women in 17th Century English Poetry; Dante and the Experience of Reading;" "Orality and Textuality in Middle English Literature. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 241. Seminar in 19th Century Lit. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Dickens"; "Reader, I Married Him: The Brontes;" "Love, Marriage, and Literary Criticism: Jane Austen;" "Reading Serially: The Victorian Novel; Invisible Man and 19th Century American Literature, The Gothic." Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.
ENGS 242. Seminar in 19th Century Lit. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Dickens"; "Reader, I Married Him: The Brontes;"
"Love, Marriage, and Literary Criticism: Jane Austen;" "Reading
Serially: The Victorian Novel; Invisible Man and 19th Century
American Literature, The Gothic." Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours
at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 251. Seminar in 20th Century Lit. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "The Beat Generation;" "Literature and Society in
Modern Ireland;" "Dostoevsky's Influence on 20th Century American
Literature. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate
level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 252. Seminar in 20th Century Lit. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "The Beat Generation;" "Literature and Society in
Modern Ireland;" "Dostoevsky's Influence on 20th Century American
Literature. Prerequisite: ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate
level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 281. Sem Lit Themes, Genres, Folklore. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Spiritual Journeys;" "Murder, He Said: Detective
Fiction;" "Chekhov to Cheever: The Short Story." Prerequisite:
ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 282. Sem Lit Themes, Genres, Folklore. 3 Credits.
Recent topics: "Spiritual Journeys;" "Murder, He Said: Detective
Fiction;" "Chekhov to Cheever: The Short Story." Prerequisite:
ENGS 086; six hours at the intermediate level; Instructor permission.

ENGS 290. Sem Prospective Tchrs of Engl. 3 Credits.
Approaches to teaching composition, literature, and the English
language in secondary school. Prerequisites: ENGS 086, six hours at
the intermediate level, and Instructor permission.

ENGS 295. Advanced Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
See Schedule of Courses for specific titles. Prerequisites: ENGS 086,
six hours at the intermediate level, and Instructor permission.

ENGS 296. Advanced Special Topics. 1-18 Credits.
See Schedule of Courses for specific titles. Prerequisites: ENGS 086,
six hours at the intermediate level, and instructor permission.

ENGS 320. Seminar: Major Author. 3 Credits.
In-depth study of the works, critical reception, and context of
an author writing in English. Representative topics: Chaucer;
Shakespeare; Milton; Austen; Dickinson; Morrison.

ENGS 330. Seminar: Literary Period. 3 Credits.
Advanced survey of authors, themes, genres, and/or cultural context
in a British or American literary period. Representative topics:
British Renaissance; Restoration and Eighteenth Century; Victorian;
American Renaissance.

ENGS 340. Studies in Rhetoric & Comp. 3 Credits.
Introduction to current issues in the field. Representative topics:
Rhetorical theory; gender, class, and composing; writing across the
curriculum; collaborative learning, literature and composition.

ENGS 345. Practicum in Teaching Writing. 3 Credits.
Introduces new graduate teaching assistants in English to best
practices in teaching college composition and provides support for
their first semester teaching ENGS 001. Prerequisites: Admission
to English Graduate program; appointment to a Graduate teaching
assistantship; permission of Instructor or English department
Graduate advisor.

ENGS 350. Surv of Lit Theory & Criticism. 3 Credits.
Theory and Criticism.

ENGS 360. Seminar: Special Topics. 3 Credits.
Topic varies, based on faculty research. Representative topics: orality
and literacy in medieval literature; feminist theory; anthropological
approaches to literature; narrative theory and Victorian novels.

ENGS 370. Principles of Literary Rsch. 3 Credits.
Methods of literary study, research, and scholarship, including
bibliographic, manuscript, and archival work.

ENGS 391. Master's Thesis Research. 1-6 Credits.
ENGS 392. Seminar Paper Review. 0 Credits.
ENGS 397. Special Readings & Research. 1-6 Credits.
Directed individual study of areas not appropriately covered by
existing courses. Permission of Graduate Director.