

ENGLISH, M.A.

The M.A. in English requires 30-36 credit hours and is designed for those planning to pursue a doctorate; to teach in community colleges, technical institutes, or some undergraduate colleges; and to work in non-academic settings. Three plans of study beyond the core requirements are offered:

1. Thesis Plan
2. Teaching Composition Plan
3. Plan of Study for Careers in the Humanities

For information regarding deadlines and requirements for admission, please see the Guide to Graduate Admissions.

In addition to the application materials required by The Graduate School, applicants must submit a 1-2 page statement of purpose, a writing sample (less than 30 pages), and a current cv or resume.

Degree Program Requirements

Required: 30-36 credit hours

No more than three courses at the 500-level may be submitted for the degree. All other work must be at the 600-level and above.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Required Core Courses		
		24
ENG 601	English Studies: Content, Methods, and Bibliography	3
Select 3 literature courses including one before 1800 and one after		
		9
Select 3 elective courses normally in English or American literature		
		9
Select 1 critical theory course from the following or from special topics courses approved in advance by the Director of Graduate Study:		
ENG 531	Feminist Theory and Women Writers	3
ENG 549	The Critical Canon and Contemporary Issues	
ENG 650	Modern Literary and Cultural Theory	
ENG 663	Postcolonial Literary and Cultural Theory	
ENG 704	Studies in Contemporary Literary and Cultural Theory	
ENG 705	Cultural Studies	
Alternative Plans of Study		
		6-12
<i>Select one of the following:</i>		
Thesis Plan		6
Teaching Composition Plan		12
Plan of Study for Careers in the Humanities		12

Alternative Plans of Study

Thesis Plan

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENG 699		6

MA students in the thesis plan must demonstrate reading knowledge of a foreign language. A level of proficiency in one foreign language, equivalent to completion of the first semester of an intermediate course (such as 203 at UNC Greensboro), must be documented either by previous course work completed during the last five years and

approved by the Director of Graduate Study, or by course work while enrolled in the MA program, or by an appropriate score on a written examination. Because of the language requirement, a minimum of credit hours is required for the degree: 24 core credits and 6 thesis credits. Native speakers of other languages can demonstrate foreign language proficiency through their graduate course work in English. Students in the MA/PhD track will ultimately have to fulfill the foreign language requirement for the PhD.

Students who have been admitted into the PhD program and/or who have the permission of their thesis committee and the Director of Graduate Study may elect to write a two-paper thesis instead of the traditional single-topic thesis. Recommended for those students for whom the MA will not be the terminal degree, the two-paper thesis will consist of two graduate papers expanded and revised to publishable quality.

Teaching Composition Plan

A total of 36 credits is required for the degree, the 24-credit core plus 12 credits distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENG 680	Teaching Internships in English (Capstone Experience)	3
Select 3 electives in rhetoric and composition or language and linguistics from the following: *		9
ENG 510	Old English	
ENG 513	History of the English Language	
ENG 660	Modern Language Theory	
ENG 522	Teaching Composition: Theories and Applications	
ENG 590	Literacy, Learning, and Fieldwork	
ENG 661	Second Language Writing	
ENG 688	Women's Rhetoric and Feminist Pedagogy	
ENG 689	Institutional His of Comp Stdy	
ENG 690	History of Rhetoric: Classical through Renaissance	
ENG 691	History of Rhetoric: Enlightenment through Contemporary	
ENG 693	Classical Rhetoric	
ENG 697	Composing Theories in Reading and Writing	
ENG 742	Studies in Rhetorical Theory and Practice	
ENG 744	Seminar in Composition Studies	
ENG 746	Studies in Contemporary Rhetorical Theory	

* Or special topics courses approved in advance by the Director of Graduate Study.

Plan of Study for Careers in the Humanities

A total of 36 credits is required for the degree, the 24-credit core plus 12 credits distributed as follows:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENG 680	Teaching Internships in English *	3
or ENG 622	Internship in English	
Select 3 courses in a minor or collateral field		9

* Note: ENG 622 Internship in English with approval in advance from the Director of Graduate Study (Capstone Experience)

Accelerated B.A. to M.A.

The Accelerated BA to MA in English requires 30-36 credit hours and is designed for those planning to pursue a doctorate; to teach in community colleges, technical institutes, or some undergraduate colleges; and to work in non-academic settings. Three plans of study beyond the core requirements are offered:

1. Thesis Plan
2. Teaching Composition Plan
3. Careers in the Humanities Plan

Application and Admission

Qualified UNCG undergraduate students may apply for admission to the Accelerated Degree Program in English. A cumulative undergraduate GPA of at least 3.5 based on at least 30 credits earned at UNC Greensboro is required. Applicants must have completed at least 60 credits and may not apply for admission to the ADP before the first semester of the junior year.

English has the following additional requirements for ADP applicants:

At least 15 credits of undergraduate English courses at the 200-level or above, with an earned 3.5 GPA in these courses.

Standard application requirements for the Master of Arts program, excluding GRE scores (i.e., undergraduate transcript(s), three letters of recommendation, statement of purpose, writing sample, and resume or cv).

Accelerated Degree Program applicants must submit the Request for Accelerated Degree Program to the Graduate School and must simultaneously apply for admission to the English Master of Arts degree program. Students admitted to the ADP program may apply a maximum of 12 credits of graduate-level coursework toward completion of both the undergraduate and graduate degrees, provided that they earn a grade of "B" (3.0) or better in each graduate course and fulfill graduate-level requirements.

Degree Requirements

Please consult with an advisor to determine how the courses taken at the graduate level will meet requirements in the bachelor's degree program. All degree requirements for the Master of Arts in English will remain the same.

ADP Courses

Up to, but not more than, 12 credits of graduate courses may be double-counted. For a course to apply toward both degrees, the student must earn a grade of "B" (3.0) or better in the course and fulfill graduate-level requirements.

The MA degree requires 30-36 credit hours of graduate-level coursework. If the maximum of 12 credits is double-counted toward both the undergraduate and graduate degrees, the student must complete a minimum of 18 credits of further graduate-level coursework to complete the MA degree. No more than 9 credits at the 500-level may be counted toward the MA degree. Please see the Graduate Bulletin for a full description of the MA degree requirements.

The following courses have been identified as those that may be counted toward the BA and MA degrees. These courses have been chosen because they are well suited to ADP students and because they are offered frequently enough to provide students substantial opportunity to

enroll in them. All courses that lead to the completion of the MA degree must be approved by the Director of Graduate Study.

The following courses may be counted toward both the Bachelor and Master degrees:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENG 601	English Studies: Content, Methods, and Bibliography	3
ENG 549	The Critical Canon and Contemporary Issues	3
ENG 642	Topics in Pre-1800 Literature *	3
ENG 664	Topics in Post-1800 Literature *	3

* May be repeated twice for credit when topic or instructor varies.

M.A. Doctoral Track

Individuals intending to continue on to doctoral studies in English at UNC Greensboro may apply to the M.A. Doctoral Track which offers exceptionally well-qualified applicants the opportunity to gain admission to the master's and doctoral programs simultaneously. This program is designed for students who would like to obtain their M.A. and then proceed directly to the Ph.D. program. Students accepted into the Doctoral Track must fulfill all requirements for the M.A. and the Ph.D. and will earn both degrees. Students not accepted into the M.A. Doctoral Track may still be accepted into the M.A. only.