Program Requirements

M.A. English (4.5 credits)

Requirements - Coursework option (4.5 credits)
1. 4.0 credits in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5908 and ENGL 5909) 4.0
2. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
Total Credits 4.5

Requirements - Research Essay Option (4.5 credits)
1. 3.0 credits in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5909) 3.0
2. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
3. 1.0 credit in:
   - ENGL 5908 [1.0] Research Essay
Total Credits 4.5

Requirements - Thesis Option (4.5 credits)
1. 2.0 credits in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5908) 2.0
2. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
3. 2.0 credits in:
   - ENGL 5909 [2.0] M.A. Thesis
   An oral examination on the thesis will be required. A prospectus for the thesis must be submitted to the graduate committee by December 1 after registration in September, or at the end of three months for any other registration.
Total Credits 4.5

M.A. English
with Specialization in African Studies (4.5 credits)

Requirements - Coursework Option (4.5 credits)
1. 0.5 credit in:
   - AFRI 5000 [0.5] African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives 0.5
2. 0.0 credit in:
   - AFRI 5800 [0.0] Scholarly Preparation in African Studies 0.0
3. 0.5 credit from:
   - ENGL 5008 [0.5] Studies in African Literature
   - ENGL 5010 [0.5] Studies in Caribbean Literature
   Or an ENGL course approved by the Graduate Coordinator of the Institute of African Studies
4. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
5. 3.0 credits in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5908 and ENGL 5909) 3.0
Total Credits 4.5

Requirements - Research Essay Option (4.5 credits)
1. 0.5 credit in:
   - AFRI 5000 [0.5] African Studies as a Discipline: Historical and Current Perspectives 0.5
2. 0.0 credit in:
   - AFRI 5800 [0.0] Scholarly Preparation in African Studies 0.0
3. 0.5 credit from:
   - ENGL 5008 [0.5] Studies in African Literature
   - ENGL 5010 [0.5] Studies in Caribbean Literature
   Or an ENGL course approved by the Graduate Coordinator of the Institute of African Studies
4. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
5. 1.0 credit in:
   - ENGL 5908 [1.0] Research Essay (with mandatory oral examination)
Total Credits 4.5

M.A. English
with Specialization in Digital Humanities (4.5 credits)

Requirements - Coursework Option (4.5 credits)
1. 2.5 credits in 5000-level ENGL (excluding ENGL 5908 and ENGL 5909) 2.5
2. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
3. 0.5 credit in:
   - DIGH 5000 [0.5] Issues in the Digital Humanities
3. 1.0 credit in DIGH (DIGH 5011, DIGH 5012, or annually listed DIGH course) 1.0
4. 0.0 credit in:
   - DIGH 5800 [0.0] Digital Humanities: Professional Development 0.0
Total Credits 4.5

Requirements - Research Essay Option (4.5 credits)
1. 2.0 credits in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5909) 2.0
2. 0.5 credit in:
   - ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
3. 1.0 credit in:
   - ENGL 5908 [1.0] Research Essay (with mandatory oral examination) 1.0
4. 0.5 credit in:
   DIGH 5000 [0.5] Issues in the Digital Humanities
5. 0.5 credit in Digital Humanities (DIGH 5011, DIGH 5012, or annually listed Digital Humanities course)
6. 0.0 credit in:
   DIGH 5800 [0.0] Digital Humanities: Professional Development

Total Credits 4.5

Requirements - Thesis Option (4.5 credits)
1. 1.0 credit in ENGL at the 5000 level (excluding ENGL 5908)
2. 0.5 credit in:
   ENGL 5005 [0.5] M.A. Seminar
3. 2.0 credits in:
   ENGL 5909 [2.0] M.A. Thesis
4. 0.5 credit in:
   DIGH 5000 [0.5] Issues in the Digital Humanities
5. 0.5 credit from:
   DIGH 5011 [0.5] Graduate Practicum in Digital Humanities
   DIGH 5012 [0.5] Directed Readings and Research in Digital Humanities
   - or annually listed DIGH course
6. 0.0 credit in:
   DIGH 5800 [0.0] Digital Humanities: Professional Development

Total Credits 4.5

Ph.D. English (10.0 credits)

Requirements:
1. 1.0 credit in:
   ENGL 6003 [0.5] Theories and Foundations in the Production of Literature
   ENGL 6004 [0.5] Approaches to the Production of Literature
2. 0.5 credit in:
   ENGL 6002 [0.5] Proseminar
3. 2.0 credits of approved courses
4. 1.0 credit in:
   ENGL 6900 [1.0] Comprehensive Examination
5. 1.0 credit in:
   ENGL 6901 [1.0] Doctoral Research Project
6. 4.5 credits in:
   ENGL 6909 [4.5] Thesis

Total Credits 10.0

ENGL 6002, ENGL 6003 and ENGL 6004 are required courses. Optional English courses will be selected from a list approved annually by the department. Students may take up to 1.0 credit of approved courses offered in other departments. Students may also choose directed reading courses with the core faculty of the program.

Comprehensive Examination and Research Project

Students are required to complete one comprehensive examination and one doctoral research essay. Each has a 1.0 credit value. The comprehensive examination (ENGL 6900) will focus on relevant theoretical and methodological issues and will take the form of a written and oral examination set and marked by members of core faculty. This will normally take place at the beginning of the second year of full-time doctoral study. The doctoral research project (ENGL 6901) will focus on the general historical period or conceptual issues of the candidate's research and will comprise a written research project of publishable length followed by an oral examination. This will normally be completed before the end of the second year of full-time studies.

Language Requirements

Candidates must demonstrate reading ability in a language other than English, normally by successfully completing a translation examination during the second year of full-time enrollment in the program.

Thesis

All students are required to submit a thesis proposal before proceeding to the writing of the thesis. The proposal must be approved by the graduate supervisor and the thesis committee. This will normally take place early in the third year of doctoral study. All students are required to complete a thesis (4.5 credits) in partial fulfilment of the requirements of the degree offered by the program. The thesis must be defended at an oral examination.

Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

A standing of B- or better must be obtained in each credit counted towards the master's degree.

Each program is designed to be completed within the three-term academic year. Each program is of equal status.

Guidelines for Completion of Master's Degree

Full-time master's candidates are expected to complete all requirements in twelve months or three terms of registered full-time study. Part-time master's candidates are expected to complete their degree requirements within an elapsed period of three calendar years after the date of initial registration.

Regulations

See the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Academic Standing

Doctoral students must normally obtain a grade of B- or better in each course counted toward the fulfillment of the degree requirements.

Admission Requirements

The normal admission requirement for the master's program is a B.A. (Honours) (or the equivalent) in English language and literature, with at least a high Honours standing (normally B+ or better).

Possession of the normal entrance standing is not in itself, however, an assurance of admission into the program.

Qualifying-Year Program

Applicants who hold a general (3-year) B.A. degree with at least a high Honours standing (normally B+), with a major in English language and literature or a related discipline,
may be admitted to the qualifying-year program. Normally, these students will be required to complete 4.0 or 5.0 credits in English, as determined by the department, and to maintain a high Honours standing (normally B+) before being considered for admission into the master’s program. For more information regarding the qualifying year, see the General Regulations section of this Calendar.

Accelerated Pathway
The accelerated pathway in the Department of English Language and Literature is a flexible and individualized plan of graduate study. Students in their final year of a Carleton B.A. Honours in English with demonstrated academic excellence and an aptitude for research may be invited to apply for this option.

Accelerated Pathway Requirements
Students accepted into the Accelerated Pathway will be allowed to enroll in up to two 5000-level graduate seminars during their final year of study. These courses will count towards the requirements for up to 1.0 credits of 4000-level courses in their BA Honours degree. Students who obtain satisfactory standing as determined by the graduate committee in these 5000-level courses may receive advance standing with transfer credit of up to 1.0 credit, which can reduce their time to completion if they are subsequently accepted into a Carleton University Master's degree in English.

A special committee is responsible for inviting students to apply for entrance to this pathway. A minimal overall CGPA of 11.0 is normally required for consideration; invited students should submit two reference letters from English Department faculty members and a writing sample to both Undergraduate Supervisor and Graduate Supervisor of the English Department. If accepted into the accelerated pathway, students must consult with both the Undergraduate and Graduate Supervisors to determine which graduate seminars they will take.

Admission Requirements
Applicants will normally hold a master's degree in English (or equivalent) with at least an A- average (10 G.P.A.)

Applicants judged to be deficient in preparation may be asked to complete course work in addition to the Ph.D. program requirements.