

COMPARATIVE LITERATURE, PH.D.

Degree Requirements (30 Post-Masters Hours)

Candidates for the Ph.D. degree are required to take 63-66 graduate hours beyond the baccalaureate degree (30 - 33 graduate hours beyond the master's degree), including graduate-level course work in at least one foreign language, and demonstrate reading knowledge in two foreign languages. Each candidate must study three or more national literatures, although students may substitute an outside area for their third literature with the approval of the graduate director. Each student will pass a three-hour qualifying examination in two equal parts: an essay on literary theory and an explication of a passage in the student's first foreign literature. The comprehensive examination will consist of three two-hour written exams on each of three reading lists that the student will draw up in conjunction with the committee, followed by a one-hour oral exam. Students whose first literature is not English may write one of their essays in the language of that literature. Each student will write a dissertation on a topic chosen in conjunction with the committee and the graduate director.

Comparative Literature (15 Hours)

5 graduate courses to include the following:

Course	Title	Credits
CPLT 701	Classics of Western Literary Theory	3
CPLT 702	Modern Literary Theory	3
CPLT 703	Topics in Contemporary Literary Theory	3
Select two more CPLT Graduate courses		6
Total Credit Hours		15

Primary Literature (18 Hours)

Course	Title	Credits
Select six graduate courses		18
Total Credit Hours		18

Second Literature (12 Hours)

Course	Title	Credits
Select four graduate courses		12
Total Credit Hours		12

Third Literature (6 Hours)

Course	Title	Credits
Select two graduate courses		6
Total Credit Hours		6

Foreign Languages (3 Hours)

Required of all graduate teaching assistants.

Course	Title	Credits
FORL 776	The Teaching of Foreign Languages in College	3
Total Credit Hours		3

Dissertation (12 Hours)

Note: Requests for further information should be addressed to:

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