

LANGUAGES, LITERATURES AND CULTURES, MA

Admissions

Comparative Literature Concentration

The following are guidelines, not minimums for acceptance. It is recognized that each student is unique, and applicants are considered on an individual basis. Candidates must hold a B.A. degree from an accredited college or university, and should provide evidence of work in literature and a foreign language. GRE scores are not required for the Comparative Literature Concentration, although candidates are welcome to submit them should they wish to do so. An applicant whose native language is not English is required to submit a satisfactory score on the TOEFL or the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam. The minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL is 80 (iBT), or 570 (paper-based). The minimum acceptable overall band score on the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam is 6.5.

Students are invited to go to the Graduate School website and apply online. Required materials include the following:

- 3 letters of recommendation from instructors familiar with the student's academic work. (The online application system will prompt you for the email addresses of your recommenders, so that they can submit recommendations confidentially.)
- complete transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- a 300-word statement of purpose written in English that explains the connection between UofSC's programs and your personal goals
- a writing sample (in the relevant language; English for non-natives of the English language) of approximately 3,000 words. This could be a paper written for an undergraduate course or an essay prepared specifically for the application.

In order to test speaking skills in Spanish, French, or German, (and, for non-native speakers, English), a Comparative Literature faculty member will set up a virtual meeting with you at some point after you have submitted your application.

Applicants who wish to be considered for an assistantship must apply by January 15.

Applications submitted to the Department after June 1 will not be processed for the Fall semester but for the following Spring.

In order to pursue the Comparative Literature Concentration, candidates may be required to make up any language proficiency deficiencies that may be shown by a diagnostic examination. The department reserves the right to require its degree candidates to audit or enroll in undergraduate courses when advisable.

French Concentration

The following are guidelines, not minimums for acceptance. It is recognized that each student is unique, and applicants are considered on an individual basis. Candidates must hold a B.A. degree with an undergraduate major (or its equivalent) in French (if from a North American institution). GRE scores are not required for the French Concentration, although candidates are welcome to submit them should they wish to do so. An applicant whose native language is not English is required to submit a satisfactory score on the TOEFL or the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam. The minimum acceptable score on the

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- complete transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- a 300-word statement of purpose written in English
- a writing sample of approximately 3,000 words, written in French (written in English for students whose native language is French)

In order to test speaking skills in French (and, for non-native speakers, English), a French faculty member will set up a virtual meeting with you at some point after you have submitted your application.

Applicants who wish to be considered for an assistantship must apply by January 15.

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In order to pursue the French Concentration, candidates may be required to make up any language proficiency deficiencies that may be shown by a diagnostic examination. The department reserves the right to require its degree candidates to audit or enroll in undergraduate courses when advisable.

German Concentration

The following are guidelines, not minimums for acceptance. It is recognized that each student is unique, and applicants are considered on an individual basis. Candidates must hold a B.A. degree in German or a related field from an accredited college or university. GRE scores are not required for the German Concentration, although candidates are welcome to submit them should they wish to do so. An applicant whose native language is not English is required to submit a satisfactory score on the TOEFL or the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam. The minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL is 80 (iBT), or 570 (paper-based). The minimum acceptable overall band score on the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam is 6.5.

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- 3 letters of recommendation from instructors familiar with the student's academic work. (The online application system will prompt you for the email addresses of your recommenders, so that they can submit recommendations confidentially.)
- complete transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- a 300-word statement of purpose written in English
- a writing sample of approximately 3,000 words, written in German (written in English for students whose native language is German)

In order to test speaking skills in German (and, for non-native speakers, English), a German faculty member will set up a virtual meeting with you at some point after you have submitted your application.

Applicants who wish to be considered for an assistantship must apply by January 15.

Applications submitted to the Department after June 1 will not be processed for the Fall semester but for the following Spring.

In order to pursue the German Concentration, candidates may be required to make up any proficiency deficiencies demonstrated on a diagnostic examination. The department reserves the right to require its degree candidates to audit or enroll in undergraduate courses when advisable.

Spanish Concentration

The following are guidelines, not minimums for acceptance. It is recognized that each student is unique, and applicants are considered on an individual basis. Candidates must hold a B.A. degree in Spanish or a related field from an accredited college or university. Graduates of foreign university programs where Spanish is the official language may be able, with permission of the Spanish graduate advisor, to substitute this experience for a Spanish major. GRE scores are not required for the Spanish Concentration, although candidates are welcome to submit them should they wish to do so. An applicant whose native language is not English is required to submit a satisfactory score on the TOEFL or the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam. The minimum acceptable score on the TOEFL is 80 (iBT) or 570 (paper-based). The minimum acceptable overall band score on the IELTS Intl. Academic Course Type 2 exam is 6.5.

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- complete transcripts from all post-secondary institutions
- a 300-word maximum statement of purpose
- a writing sample of approximately 3,000 words, written in Spanish (in English for those students whose native language is Spanish)

In order to test speaking skills in Spanish (and, for non-native speakers, in English), a Spanish faculty member will set up a virtual meeting with you at some point after you have submitted your application.

Applicants who wish to be considered for an assistantship must apply by January 15.

Applications submitted to the Department after June 1 will not be processed for the Fall semester but for the following Spring.

In order to pursue the Spanish Concentration, candidates may be required to make up any proficiency deficiencies demonstrated on a diagnostic examination. The department reserves the right to require its candidates for the degree of MA to take special examinations on any undergrad courses when advisable.