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## MASTER OF ARTS English Literatures

## English Literatures at San Francisco State University

The graduate English literatures program at SF State develops breadth of knowledge, professional skills, and provides opportunities for specialization. Our graduate program is ideal for candidates who teach or want to teach at the secondary or community college level; who want to go on for the Ph.D.; or who want to continue their studies in the discipline for their own intellectual development.

### SF State's Graduate Program in English Literatures offers:

- ▶ The opportunity to pursue a Composition and/or Reading Certificate concurrently with the Master's in Literatures
- ▶ Individual attention from faculty
- ▶ Day and evening classes
- ▶ Flexible curriculum
- ▶ Teaching Assistant opportunities
- ▶ Affordability

### Need Advising?

The Division of Graduate Studies offers counseling and advising regarding issues ranging from applications to graduation. Whether you are a current, prospective, credential, or post-baccalaureate student, email us at **gradstudies@sfsu.edu** to set-up your one-on-one appointment.

### Employment Outlook

Graduates of our Master of Arts Program in Literatures work as teachers in high schools and community colleges; enter the field of publishing; write for journals, magazines, and online publications; earn doctorates; enter law school; start businesses; and work for non-profits, foundations, and government agencies. We have a strong record of placing our students in tenure-track teaching positions at two-year colleges in California, particularly when they pursue a Composition Certificate in conjunction with the MA.

### Doctoral Program Placements

Recent graduate students of the MA in English Literatures program have gone on to PhD programs at Brown, Northwestern, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, UC Riverside, UC Santa Cruz, University of Southern California, University of Texas, Austin, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, and Stanford among others.



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## Program Curriculum

ENG 741: Literary Theory and Research Methods	3 units
ENG 717, 742-790, 820: Graduate Seminars	18 units
Electives on advisement	6 units
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ENG 898: Master's Thesis <b>or</b>	3 units
ENG 896: Culminating Experience Exam	

**Minimum total: 30**

## Course Offerings

Our graduate course offerings engage students in the investigation of literature written in English from Britain, the United States, and former British colonies, and critical theory, and allow students the flexibility to design and personalize their Master's program to meet their diverse interests.

Recent courses include:  
Literature and Psychology  
Feminist Criticisms  
Ethics of Deconstruction  
New Media  
Southern African Literature  
Reading Walter Benjamin  
Chaucer  
Shakespeare  
Emily Dickinson  
Toni Morrison  
Early Modern Trans-Atlantic Encounters  
Literary Studies and Food Studies  
Serial Narratology  
Victorian Afterlife

Opera and Literature  
The Noir Vision in American Culture  
19th-Century Mystery  
18th-Century Novel  
Medieval Mysticism  
Fanfiction

For current course descriptions, see our website at:  
<http://bulletin.sfsu.edu/course/eng/>

## Ready to Apply?

For complete information on the application process and materials required, visit:  
<https://english.sfsu.edu/content/literature-graduate>. Listed below are a portion of the materials necessary for a complete application:

- ▶ English Department MA Literatures Application
- ▶ Statement of Purpose (1 to 2 pages)
- ▶ Writing Sample (critical or scholarly essay 5-10 pages)
- ▶ Two Letters of Recommendation
- ▶ Official Transcripts to Graduate Studies
- ▶ Test of English as a Language (TOEFL), if required

## For more information contact us:

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