PhD in English  
(Total 72 credits: 34 graded credit hours, 38 non-graded credit hours)

I. Graded Courses [34 credits]:

A. All PhD Students must take: [4 credits]

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<td>English 501: Seminar in the Teaching of Writing: Methodology of Composition</td>
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<td>English 590: Directed Reading (1 credit required, up to 6 credits allowed; *see part C for more details)</td>
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English 590 is a graded independent study designed to provide directed research in English studies for individuals (or small groups) in conjunction with one or more faculty members.

1. Literary Studies Students must take at least one course in each of the following historical periods [9 credits]:

   - Pre-Enlightenment (i.e., up to roughly 1700-1750): 1 course from the following:
     - 506: Seminar in 16th Century English Literature
     - 507: Shakespeare
     - 511: Seminar in 17th and 18th Century American Literature
     - 525: Seminar in English Literature of the 17th Century
     - 580: Seminar in Medieval Literature
     - 584: English Literature of the 16th Century

   - Enlightenment to the Twentieth Century: 1 course from the following:
     - 521: Seminar in British Romantic Literature
     - 522: Seminar in Victorian Literature
     - 527: Seminar in English Literature of the Restoration and 18th Century
     - 529: Seminar in 19th Century American Literature
     - Depending on subject matter & in consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies, these may be substituted:
       - 510: Backgrounds of American Literature
       - 550: Seminar in Poetry or Nonfiction Prose
       - 567: Seminar in Prose Fiction
       - 573: Seminar in American Literature

   - Twentieth Century to the Present: 1 course from the following:
     - 514: Seminar in 20th Century American Literature
     - 549: Seminar in 20th Century British Literature
     - Depending on subject matter & in consultation with the Director of Graduate Studies, these may be substituted:
       - 510: Backgrounds of American Literature
       - 550: Seminar in Poetry or Nonfiction Prose
       - 567: Seminar in Prose Fiction
       - 573: Seminar in American Literature

   - 3 credits
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Students who have already taken graduate seminars in any of these areas may meet with the Director of Graduate Study to see if they may waive one or more of these requirements.

**2. Rhetoric and Composition students** are encouraged to take the following to help with their exams. Students not taking this sequence or any portion of it will need to have their dissertation director confirm via email to the DGS that this is appropriate for the student’s program of study. [9 credits]

- **English 502: Seminar in the Teaching of Writing: Contemporary Theories Enlightenment to the Twentieth Century**
  
  3 credits

- **English 509: Seminar in Classical Rhetoric and its Influences**
  
  3 credits

- **English 515: Contemporary Theories of Rhetoric**
  
  3 credits

Students who have already taken graduate seminars in any of these areas may meet with the Director of Graduate Study to see if they may waive one or more of these requirements.

**B. Other Required Courses [21 credits]:**

*All PhD Students* must take an additional 7 seminars from 500-level English courses. Six hours of 400-level courses in or outside of English may be counted upon approval. 500-level courses outside of English may also be counted upon approval. Students may transfer in 3 of these credits.

- **Electives:**
  
  3 credits

  3 credits

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II. Non-Graded Courses: [38 credits]

**A. Required for Students with Teaching Assistantships:**

Engl 598: Teaching Apprenticeship  [3 credits]

(1st Sem) Directed Study in the Writing Center 1 credit

(2nd Sem) Weekly Colloquium on Freshman Comp 1 credit

(3rd or 4th Sem) Mentored Teaching 1 credit

**B. Required for Students with Teaching Assistantships:**

Engl 600 Special Projects or Independent Study [4 credits, 1 credit per semester]

1st Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit

2nd Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit

3rd Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit

4th Semester Engl 600 Special Projects or Ind. Study 1 credit

**C. English 800: Doctoral Research, Dissertation, and/or Examination [31 credits]**

III. Additional Requirements:

**A. Foreign Language Requirement:**

- Passed Graduate Foreign Language Translation Exam, or Date completed ______________
  
  completed a WSU foreign language class at the 306 level or above

**B. PhD Qualifying Exam**

Date completed ______________
C. Dissertation
   Date completed _____________

D. Oral Examination
   Date completed _____________

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