

# ENGLISH (PH.D.)

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**Offered by:** English (Faculty of Arts)

**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy

## Program Description

The PhD in English focuses on research topics related to literature, drama and theatre, cultural studies, authorship and publishing, and critical theory.

**Note:** For information about Fall 2025 and Winter 2026 course offerings, please check back on May 8, 2025. Until then, the "Terms offered" field will appear blank for most courses while the class schedule is being finalized.

## Thesis

A thesis for the doctoral degree must constitute original scholarship and must be a distinct contribution to knowledge. It must show familiarity with previous work in the field and must demonstrate ability to plan and carry out research, organize results, and defend the approach and conclusions in a scholarly manner. The research presented must meet current standards of the discipline; as well, the thesis must clearly demonstrate how the research advances knowledge in the field. Finally, the thesis must be written in compliance with norms for academic and scholarly expression and for publication in the public domain.

## Required Courses (9 credits)

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Course	Title	Credits
ENGL 701	Comprehensive Examination.	0
ENGL 787	Research Seminar 1.	3
ENGL 788	Research Seminar 2.	3
ENGL 798	Dissertation Proposal.	3

## Complementary Courses (12 credits)

0-12 credits of departmental seminars at the 500 level or higher.

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Course	Title	Credits
ENGL 796	Research Project.	6

Plus 6 credits of departmental seminars at the 500 level or higher.