

# ENGLISH, MA

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## Introduction

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The English Studies graduate program provides a strong foundation in primary knowledge areas, including the major genres and the theory of genre, approaches to literacy, English language study, and the impact of technology on reading and writing. The program invites MA candidates to build on this foundation by developing an expertise in teaching, and by expanding their content knowledge with courses in rhetoric, literature, film, and applied linguistics.

Contact the graduate program director for more information on this program.

These program requirements are subject to periodic revision by the academic department, and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences reserves the right to make exceptions and substitutions as judged necessary in individual cases. Therefore, the College strongly urges students to consult regularly with their program advisor to confirm the best plans of study before finalizing them.

**Graduate Education Policies and Procedures apply to this program.**

## Program Requirements

1. Students must complete a minimum of 30 ENGL credit hours.
2. Students must complete all courses at the graduate (5000 and above) level.
3. Students must earn a minimum grade of B- (2.7) in all in all courses that apply to the degree and must achieve a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. Courses taken using P+/P/F or S/U grading cannot apply to program requirements.
4. Students must complete a minimum of 21 ENGL credits with CU Denver faculty,

## Program Restrictions, Allowances and Recommendations

1. All courses are three credit hours unless otherwise noted.
2. All courses must be completed in the ENGL subject code.
3. Students must complete all required coursework satisfactorily.
4. Students must demonstrate a commitment to language diversity. Students must demonstrate satisfaction of this requirement to their program advisor, through one of the following ways:
  - a. A language other than English is spoken in the home and competency is confirmed by the CU Denver department of Modern Languages or an equivalent body.
  - b. Completion of two semesters (or the equivalent) at the college level of any second language, including Old English, American Sign Language, computer coding, translation.
  - c. Completing ENGL 5601 Teaching English Language Learners: Theory and Practice, as an elective course.
5. Compliance with all graduate education policies and requirements is required.

6. Graduate students may only count six credit hours of Independent Study toward the English MA degree.
7. **Candidate for Degree:** Graduate students must be registered for at least one credit hour during the semester that they graduate. Those who have completed all required courses and requirements may register for CAND 5940 Candidate for Degree section 900.
8. **Teaching Assistantships:** Graduate students who receive a teaching assistantship must take ENGL 5913 Practicum in Language and Rhetoric in the fall during their first semester as a teaching assistant. ENGL 5913 Practicum in Language and Rhetoric may also be counted as an elective.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete the following required courses:</b>		<b>15</b>
ENGL 5100	Introduction to Graduate Studies	
ENGL 5135	Linguistics & Global Englishes	
ENGL 5145	Theory (Literary and Rhetorical Theory)	
ENGL 5155	Genres of Writing	
ENGL 5165	Technologies of Writing	
<b>Complete 12 ENGL graduate (5000-level or higher) credit hours.</b>		<b>12</b>
<i>Students may choose to concentrate English graduate courses in a particular area of study that meets the student's goals in the program.</i>		
<b>Complete a three credit hour portfolio exam or a minimum of three credit hours designing and defending a thesis. Students completing a thesis must consult with and submit a proposal to the graduate committee for approval.</b>		<b>3</b>
ENGL 6970	Portfolio Exam	
ENGL 6950	Master's Thesis	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

To learn more about the Student Learning Outcomes for this program, please visit our website (<https://clas.ucdenver.edu/english/graduate-program/>).