

MA English: Literary Studies & Teaching Specialization

GPA Requirements for Thesis and Project

Academic Thesis:

- A. A student who has GPA above 3.7 may write a thesis after taking ENG 596 Individual Study and writing a thesis prospectus with a selected English professor.
- B. A student who has GPA below 3.7 must solicit an email from a selected English professor for whom they've written at least one extended (10+ pages) research paper. The email should affirm that the student is able to complete a sustained research project and that the professor would be willing to work with the student on a thesis. The email should be sent from the professor to the graduate program coordinator prior to the student taking ENG 596 Individual Study and writing a thesis prospectus.

Multi-Disciplinary Writing Project:

A multi-disciplinary writing project requires dedicated preparation in literary analysis, research, and writing coursework and is not intended for primarily creative writing projects. Students completing a writing project must take two 400-level or 500-level writing courses (at least one in the genre of their proposed writing project).

- A. A student who has GPA above 3.7 may complete a multi-disciplinary writing project after taking ENG 596 Individual Study with a selected English professor and taking ENG 589 Portfolio.
- B. A student who has GPA below 3.7 must solicit an email from a selected English professor for whom they've completed extended (10+ pages) written work. The email should affirm that the student is able to complete a sustained writing project and that the professor would be willing to work with the student on the project. The email should be sent from the professor to the graduate program coordinator prior to the student taking ENG 596 Individual Study and ENG 589 Portfolio.