

**DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY – ENGLISH – 2022-23**

*In addition to departmental requirements, candidates for graduate degrees must fulfill University requirements described in the “Graduate Education” section of the UCSB General Catalog.*

***This plan is for students who completed the M.A. at another institution. The Ph.D. requires a minimum of 36.0\* units of graduate-level core and elective coursework.***

*All courses must be completed with a ‘B’ or better. Time-to-Degree: 4 years to advance to candidacy, 7 years to complete the Ph.D.*

DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT (20.0 units)				
AREA I	1. Medieval Literature 2. Renaissance Literature			
AREA II	3. Restoration and Eighteenth-Century Literature 4. Romantic and Victorian Literature			
AREA III	5. American Literature to 1865 6. American Literature from 1865			
AREA IV	7. Twentieth-Century Anglophone 8. American Race and Ethnic Studies			
AREA V	9. General Theory 10. Theories of Genders and Sexualities 11. Literature and Theory of Technology/Media/Information 12. Theories of Literature and the Environment 13. Literature and the Mind			
Choose one (4 unit) course from each area, for a total of 20 units:				
AREA	COURSE #	COURSE NAME	UNITS	Grade
I			4.0	
II			4.0	
III			4.0	
IV			4.0	
V			4.0	

ELECTIVE COURSES (16.0 Units Minimum)			
COURSE #	COURSE NAME	UNITS	Grade

*\*Please note: 28 out of the required 36 units must be taken in the English department*

**LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT**

The M.A. degree program requires working competence in a foreign language. The requirement may be satisfied in the following ways:

a) Passing a written translation exam

b) Passing with a grade of B+ or better either one graduate literature course or one upper-division literature course taught in the foreign language.

Satisfied on {mm/dd/yyyy (exam) or quarter/year (coursework)}: \_\_\_\_\_

**FIRST QUALIFYING EXAM**

The first qualifying examination is an oral exam two hours in length. Students will be examined in three fields of their choice. Immediately following the two hours of examination, the examiners will confer together (without the student) and assign a grade for the examination: Pass, Fail, or Fail one or two out of three parts of the exam. If a student is deemed to have failed the exam, the student will have the opportunity to be re-examined on all or part of the material. This may, but need not, be delayed until the next exam period.

Field I

Field II

Field III

Date exam passed: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

**SECOND QUALIFYING EXAM (DISSERTATION CONFERENCE)**

At the appropriate time in their careers here—that is, no later than the tenth quarter—students will sit down with their dissertation committee for a ninety-minute conference on the dissertation project based on a four-to-five-page prospectus and a bibliography of at least fifty works to be constructed by the candidate in consultation with their committee and pre-approved by the Graduate Committee. The bulk of the dissertation conference will consist of a conversation about the dissertation in which faculty help the student to think through the concept of the project, probe problems with its structure or materials, and understand its relation to other issues and methods of current professional interest.

The dissertation conference will not be primarily an event that a student "passes" or "fails," though its completion will mark official advancement to candidacy. Instead, it will figure most importantly as the beginning of an ongoing process of supervising the development of the dissertation.

Second Qualifying Exam Completed on: \_\_\_\_\_ (mm/dd/yy)

## DISSERTATION

The final requirement for the Ph.D. is for the candidate to complete a dissertation, which should be an original contribution to criticism or scholarship. An oral defense of the dissertation is not required.

**Doctoral Committee:** Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_