

Requirements Checklist for the PhD in English

Course Requirements (15 graded courses)

Semester	Course #	Course Title	
1. _____	ENCR 8100	Introduction to Literary Research (1 st year, 1 st sem.)	(required)
2. _____	ENMD/RN/EC_____	_____	pre-1800
3. _____	ENMD/RN/EC_____	_____	different pre-1800
4. _____	ENCR_____	_____	criticism or theory
5. _____	ENPG 8800	Teaching Literature (1 st year, 2 nd sem.)	(required)
6. _____	EN_____	_____	
7. _____	EN_____	_____	
8. _____	EN_____	_____	
9. _____	EN_____	_____	
10. _____	EN_____	_____	
11. _____	EN_____	_____	
12. _____	EN_____	_____	
13. _____	EN_____	_____	
14. _____	EN_____	_____	
15. _____	ENGL 9995	Dissertation Seminar (4 th year, 1 st semester)	(required)

_____ **Distribution Requirement:** 2 courses in different areas of literature before 1800
1 course in Criticism or Theory

_____ **Place-holder Courses:** Each semester of your second year, you must register for ENXX 9910; each semester of your third year, register for 12 hours of ENGL 9998; fall semester, fourth year, register for ENXX 9910 plus 6 hours of ENGL 9998; for each of your remaining semesters, register for 12 hours of ENGL 9999.

_____ **Required graduate-level Course Sit-in:** In addition to the 15 courses listed above, all doctoral candidates are required to sit in on two graduate-level courses during the third year, attending faithfully and meeting all requirements apart from examination and submission of major essays; course instructors must certify satisfactory participation. These sit-in courses may be used to fulfill seminar, distribution and contiguity requirements. List your two sit-in courses:

_____	_____	(Sit-in 1)
_____	_____	(Sit-in 2)

_____ **Seminar Requirement:** Doctoral candidates must take at least three 900-level seminars, in addition to the Dissertation

Seminar.

_____ **Foreign Language Requirement:** The Department requires that candidates demonstrate either a *mastery* of one foreign language or a reading-knowledge *proficiency* in two. Candidates may demonstrate *mastery* in one of two ways:

A. by achieving passing grades in two University of Virginia graduate courses in literature offered in the foreign language itself (not in translation). Such courses, which may also be counted toward completion of the course requirements for the PhD in English, must be approved in advance by the Director of Graduate Studies. **List your two courses here:**

	(Foreign Language 1)
	(Foreign Language 2)

B. by passing a two-hour examination designed to ascertain the ability both to read critical and literary texts in the foreign language (with the aid of a dictionary) and to write discursively in that language. **List the date of your foreign language mastery exam here:**

The candidate may demonstrate a *proficiency* in two languages by passing a ninety-minute examination designed to ascertain ability to translate prose into English (with the aid of a dictionary). **List the language and the date you passed your two proficiency examinations here:**

	(Proficiency Exam 1)
	(Proficiency Exam 2)

The full foreign language requirement for the PhD must be completed before the student is allowed to take the doctoral oral examination.

Qualification for MA: Students admitted for PhD study who have completed all other requirements may apply for conferral of the MA in English upon passing either of the two parts of the PhD qualifying examinations (period or field); they are not required to take a separate MA oral exam.

PhD Qualifying Examinations

_____ Period Exam	Date passed: _____
_____ Field Exam	Date passed: _____

Requirements for PhD candidates transferring their MA from another university: MA transfers should consult the DGS about transfer credits and remaining course requirements. Generally speaking, their requirements are the same as above, except that they are exempt from ENPG 8800. In most cases, they will need to take 6 graded courses at UVA, in addition to ENCR 8100 and ENGL 9995.

Additional requirements for students of medieval literature: Students who wish to specialize in medieval literature must take at least one course in Old English and pass the Latin exam. They must also satisfy the language requirement for the standard PhD: mastery of one language or proficiency in two. Under the two-language proficiency option, medievalists should offer at least one medieval language (in addition to Old English). (For this purpose, medieval Latin will count as a separate language.)