Literary Studies Concentration Degree Requirements

Department of English and Literary Arts University of Denver

This concentration is for students who wish to study the historical development of literature in English from the United Kingdom, the United States, and elsewhere. Our courses explore a wide range of texts from medieval British poetry to the postcolonial novel, and many of them also offer students the opportunity to read non-English literature in translation. This Literary Studies concentration is appropriate for students who are planning for careers in secondary education or for those intending to continue academic study in graduate school for an MA or PhD in English, though many go on to work in fields such as media, advertising, public relations, international relations, and business.

Foundations (1000-level courses): Four (4) credit hours

- ENGL 1010: Introductory Topics in English is required for *all* English and Literary Arts majors.
- English and Literary Arts majors may count no more than twelve (12) credit hours of 1000-level ENGL courses toward the major. *This includes English 1010*.

Core Studies (2000-level courses): Twelve (12) credit hours

Advanced Studies (3000-level courses): Eight (8) credit hours

• Eight (8) credit hours must be taken at the 3000-level.

Senior Sequence (3900): Eight (8) credit hours

• In addition to the Advanced Studies courses above, English and Literary Arts majors concentrating in Literary Studies must take *two courses*—eight (8) credit hours—designated as "senior seminars" (ENGL 3900).

Electives: Twelve (12) credit hours

• Reminder: Majors may count no more than twelve (12) credit hours of 1000-level courses toward the major.

Diversity Distribution Requirement

- All majors must satisfy the department's diversity/distribution requirement, which means that *at least three* of the courses above—twelve (12) credit hours—must include international and/or ethnic literature.
- Please consult the "Current Courses" and "Course Archives" section of the

department Portfolio site (portfolio.du.edu/English) to see if a particular course satisfies this requirement. Many of these courses are also listed in the Bulletin.

Additional Notes

- Reminder: English and Literary Arts majors may not take more than twelve (12) credit hours of ENGL courses at the 1000 level.
- English and Literary Arts majors may not take more than sixty (60) credit hours of ENGL courses.
- In accordance with DU policy, students must earn at least a C- grade in ENGL courses in order for them to count toward the English and Literary Arts major or minor.

New Requirement (for students entering DU beginning Fall 2023):

Advanced Studies (3000-level courses): Twelve (12) credit hours

• Twelve (12) credit hours must be taken at the 3000-level.

Senior Sequence (3900): Four (4) credit hours

• In addition to the Advanced Studies courses above, English and Literary Arts majors concentrating in Literary Studies must take *one course*—four (4) credit hours—designated as a "senior seminar" (ENGL 3900).