



Starting Fall 2023

ENGL PhD 6-Year Program Timeline



ENGL PhD Program Timeline

1st Year



Fall

- Enroll in 12 hours of coursework (3 courses), including ENGL 8110 Proseminar

Spring

- Enroll in 12 hours of coursework (3 courses)
- **Mid-May:** M.A. Thesis Registration Form Due

Summer

- **Mid-August:** Preliminary M.A. Thesis Due
- Attend longer summer institutes, such as IWL or SCT

ENGL PhD Program Timeline

2nd Year



Fall

- Enroll in 12 Hours of Coursework (3 courses)
- **Sept./Oct.:** Participate in 2nd Year Conference
- **Early November:** Final M.A. Thesis Due
- **End of October:** Submit all M.A. paperwork for December Graduation to the DGS Office

Spring

- Enroll in 12 Hours of Coursework (3 Courses)
- **Mid-May:** Preliminary Comprehensive Reading Lists Due

Summer

- Read for Exams
- Attend a shorter Summer Institute

ENGL PhD Program Timeline

3rd Year



Fall

- Enroll in 4 Hours of Coursework (ENGL 8120 Pedagogy Seminar) & 5 Hours of ENGL 8999 (non-candidate research) with the DGS
- **September:** Comps/Ph.D. committee Appointment forms due to DGS
- **Mid-Oct:** First Tiered Comprehensive Exam Reading Lists due to Committee

Spring

- Enroll in 5 Hours of ENGL 8999 (non-candidate research) with the DGS
- Teach one Undergraduate Course as Instructor of Record
- **End of January:** Final Tiered Comprehensive Exam Reading Lists due to committees and DGS
- **Spring Break:** Written Comprehensive Exams
- **Mid-April:** Preliminary Dissertation Prospectus due to Committees and DGS.

Summer

- **May:** complete Oral Exams. Begin the Dissertation Phase; Attend a shorter summer institute if desired
- **Mid-June:** Final Dissertation Proposal and Approval Form due to Committees and DGS Office.

ENGL PhD Program Timeline

4th Year



Fall

- Enroll in 5 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- **Beginning of September:** Preliminary First Chapter Draft due to Committees
- Project Publish
- Teach Second Undergraduate Course as Instructor of Record
- **Mid-December:** Final Version of First Chapter due to Committees and DGS (deadline for Myers First Chapter Award)

Spring

- Enroll in 5 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- Teach Third Undergraduate Course as Instructor of Record
- **End of April:** Second Dissertation Chapter Due

Summer

- Work on Dissertation
- Attend shorter summer institutes if doing so is useful for the dissertation.
- **End of August:** Third Dissertation Chapter Due

ENGL PhD Program Timeline

5th Year



Fall

- Enroll in 0 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- Instructor of Record Teaching Option (one course)
- **Mid-December:** Fourth Dissertation Chapter Due

Spring

- Enroll in 0 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- Revise Dissertation Chapters and Write Introduction
- **June 1:** Draft of Complete Dissertation Due to Committees and DGS Office
- Attend all meetings of the Job Placement Committee in Preparation for Entering the Job Market in the Fall.

Summer

- Start Revising Full Dissertation Draft and Work on Materials for Jobs and Post-Doctoral Fellowships
- **Note: Any student who fails to meet these conditions will be ineligible for supplementary department funding (such as the Myers Travel Grant) in Year 6**



Fall

- Enroll in 0 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- Revise the Dissertation for Submission and to turn it into Articles or a Book Manuscript
- Teach Fourth Undergraduate Course as Instructor of Record
- Conduct a Full-Scale Job Search with the assistance of your Committee and the Job Placement Officers

Spring

- Enroll in 0 Hours of ENGL 9999 (dissertation research) with your Dissertation Chair
- Continue with Dissertation Revisions as needed and focus on turning it into Articles or a Book Manuscript
- Teach Fifth Undergraduate Course as Instructor of Record
- **May/June:** Defend Dissertation (Check Deadlines for Intent to Graduate and other Forms) and Submit all Materials for Graduation by Mid-July (check exact deadlines)