

Overview of the PhD in Literary and Culture Studies

	Fall	Spring
Year One	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGC 7003 Professionalization Seminar ▪ ENGC 7030 Teaching College Writing ▪ ENGC 7031 Teaching Practicum ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ ▪ Two seminars (including ENGC 7004 Introduction to Theory if offered in Fall) <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one composition course (or be an assistant) <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ You're guaranteed to teach one LCS course next year; secure a faculty member as a teaching mentor and submit a proposal for the course(s) you'd like to teach by Dec. 1 	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three seminars (including ENGC 7004 Introduction to Theory if offered in Spring) ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one composition course (or be an assistant) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If teaching an LCS course in Fall, (1) observe your mentor's class and (2) turn in a syllabus to your mentor, the Director of Grad Studies (DGS), and the Dept. Head by Mar. 15
Year Two	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three seminars ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If teaching a Fall LCS course, ask your teaching mentor to observe your class ○ If teaching a Spring LCS course, (1) observe your mentor's class and (2) turn in a syllabus to your mentor, the Director of Grad Studies, and the Dept. Head by Nov. 15 <p>PREP FOR QUALIFYING EXAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Plan exam areas and find examiners <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Submit one or more proposals for LCS courses you'd like to teach next year by Dec. 1 	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Three seminars ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If teaching a Spring LCS course, ask your teaching mentor to observe your class <p>PREP FOR QUALIFYING EXAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Turn in the Exam Areas and Committee form to the DGS by Jan. 15 ▪ Turn in the Exam List form to the DGS by the end of the semester ▪ Over summer read for Qualifying Exam
Year Three	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (9-12 credits) ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>PREP FOR QUALIFYING EXAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Read for exam ▪ Set exam date by Nov. 15 ▪ Submit a proposal for LCS courses you'd like to teach next year by Dec. 1 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Research the Taft Dissertation Fellowship and contact faculty for letters if you wish to apply 	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (9-12 credits) ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>PREP FOR QUALIFYING EXAM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Read for exam ▪ Take exam by Mar. 1 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Apply for the Taft Dissertation Fellowship by the dept's Feb. deadline if substantial work has been completed ▪ Research the Graduate School Dean's Fellowship and contact faculty for letters if you wish to apply <p>DISSERTATION WORK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assemble dissertation committee ▪ Over summer start dissertation

<p>Year Four</p>	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (9-12 credits) ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>DISSERTATING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Turn in a chapter draft by Sep. 1 and another by Dec. 10 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Apply for the Graduate School Dean’s Fellowship by early Dec. ▪ Research the Taft Dissertation Fellowship and contact faculty for letters if you wish to apply 	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (9-12 credits) ▪ ENGL 9095 Teaching or ENGL 9096 Professional Practice¹ <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>DISSERTATING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Turn in a chapter draft by Apr. 25 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Apply for fifth-year funding to the DGS by Mar. 15 ▪ Apply for the Taft Dissertation Fellowship by the Feb. deadline ▪ Look for UC grad assistant jobs at https://jobs.uc.edu/
<p>Year Five</p>	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (1-12 credit hours)² <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>DISSERTATING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Turn in a chapter draft by Sep. 1 and another by Dec. 10 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Apply for Graduate School Dean’s Fellowship by early Dec. 	<p>COURSES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ENGL 9099 Research (0-12 credit hours)² <p>TEACHING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Teach one course (or be an assistant) <p>DISSERTATING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Complete dissertation; defend and submit your dissertation by the Graduate School deadline in early April or ▪ Turn in a chapter draft by Apr. 25 <p>APPLYING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Apply for graduation by the Graduate School deadline in Jan. or ▪ Inquire about teaching opportunities for next academic year with Dept. Head and Composition Director.

¹ Students teaching or TAing for the department will sign up for **ENGL 9095** while students serving as research or administrative assistants will sign up for **ENGL 9096**; unfunded students sign up for neither.

Unfunded students are required to enroll in 10 credit hours to be considered full time, and 5 credit hours to be considered half-time for student loan deferral purposes.

Full time, funded students must register for **at least 12 credit hours** and **no more than 18 credit hours** per semester. ENGL 9095 and ENGL 9096 are not required courses; they are filler courses that give funded students 3 credit hours in order to meet the 12 credit hour requirement. Funded students can opt out of enrolling in ENGL 9095/6 as long as they are enrolled in 12+ credit hours each semester. **Do not sign up for ENGL 9095/6 if doing so puts you over 18 credit hours** a semester.

² If you have external (non-English Dept.) GAship funding, sign up for 12 credit hours of ENGL 9099 each semester. If you have fifth-year English Dept. funding and do not want UC student health insurance, sign up for 1 credit hour in the Fall only. If you have fifth-year English Dept. funding and require **UC student health insurance**, sign up for 1 credit hour each semester. If you have fifth-year English Dept. funding and want to **defer student loans**, sign up for 5 credit hours each semester.