

THESIS TRACK
MA Literature Degree Requirements

___ Complete coursework requirements for Major:

- ___ Literary Scholarship (5301)
- ___ Medieval Literature (5353)
- ___ Renaissance Literature (5354)

Many courses can potentially fulfill the requirements below. Consult with Graduate Advisor, Dr. Reeves.

- ___ British Literature (post-Renaissance)
- ___ American Literature
- ___ English (i.e. any in English) Literature after 1660

___ Complete 6 hours of coursework requirements for Minor/Area of Emphasis/Cognate. **Include course department and number.** [The minor can be within Literature, within English Studies (MARC or MATC), or from another department entirely (see Graduate College Minors: <https://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/students/minors.html>)

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___ Complete Thesis Credits (start discussion of this with Graduate Advisor in second semester of program) [official Thesis deadlines can be found at: [gradcollege.txstate.edu/students/deadlines](https://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/students/deadlines)]

- ___ Consult with graduate advisor.
- ___ Obtain commitment of Thesis advisor
- ___ Enroll in 5399A by emailing Taylor Cortesi (tc1224@txstate.edu) with the name of your advisor, your student ID number, and the course number (5399A).
- ___ Complete Thesis proposal
- ___ Establish Thesis committee
- ___ Submit proposal and Thesis Proposal Form for approval by the Graduate Advisor/Program Director
- ___ Enroll in 5399B by emailing Taylor Cortesi (tc1224@txstate.edu) with the name of your advisor, your student ID number, and the course number (5399B).
 - If you are taking an additional semester of thesis, you may sign up for 5199B, 5399B, or 5999B. Check with the Graduate Advisor for the correct course number.
- ___ Submit complete draft of Thesis to committee by agreed upon deadline
- ___ Conduct Thesis defense with committee (date, time, and room reservation arranged by committee and student)
- ___ Submit a copy of your Thesis to the Graduate College with a signed Thesis Submission Form. Details can be found here: [gradcollege.txstate.edu/docs/Thesis_Diss_Guide.pdf](https://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/docs/Thesis_Diss_Guide.pdf)

___ Complete both parts of Comprehensive Examination:

- ___ General Examination (all MA Lit students take this exam in the penultimate semester; 4 hours; written; offered the first Saturday in February, June, and October)
- ___ Thesis Defense (oral; completed by deadlines found here: [gradcollege.txstate.edu/students/deadlines](https://www.gradcollege.txstate.edu/students/deadlines))