

CERTIFICATE IN THE TEACHING OF LITERATURE

Department of English

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Certificate Description

This is a four-course certificate (12 semester hours) that will be valuable for teachers of literature at junior high schools, high schools, and two-year colleges. It would also be useful as a springboard to further graduate study in literature. This certificate would allow those teaching literature or interested in teaching literature a focus within the MA in English or a stand-alone foundation in the subject.

Admission Requirements

To be eligible for the graduate certificate in teaching of writing, students need not have an undergraduate degree in English but must have a B.A. or B.S. degree and meet requirements for admission to the College of Graduate Studies at YSU.

Certificate Requirements

COURSE	TITLE	S.H.
Required Courses		
ENGL 6906	Teaching of Literature	3
ENGL 6902	Literary Thought	3
Students must take one course from two of the following three areas:		6
British Literature		
ENGL 6911	The Medieval World	
ENGL 6912	Sixteenth- and 17th-Century British Studies	
ENGL 6913	Shakespeare and Renaissance Drama	
ENGL 6914	Restoration and 18th-Century British Studies	
ENGL 6916	Nineteenth-Century British Studies	
ENGL 6920	Twentieth-Century British Studies	
ENGL 6935	Studies in Romanticism	
American Literature		
ENGL 6915	Early American Studies	
ENGL 6917	Nineteenth-Century American Studies	
ENGL 6922	Twentieth-Century American	
ENGL 6923	Working Class Literature	
Multicultural Literature		
ENGL 6963	Perspectives in Multicultural Studies	
Total Semester Hours		12

Learning Outcomes

1. Teaching of Literature Certificate students will demonstrate knowledge of the history of British, American, and/or world literary publication cultures, movements, and forms/genres.
2. Teaching of Literature Certificate students will demonstrate the use of a variety of interpretive strategies for analyzing multiple kinds of texts, including close reading, contextual interpretation, analysis of form and genre, and rhetorical analysis.
3. Teaching of Literature Certificate students will demonstrate the use of theories related to the representation of culture, race, class, gender, and sexuality to interpret literary texts.

4. Teaching of Literature Certificate students will demonstrate the ability to participate in the professional life of the discipline as scholars, teachers, editors, and writers.