

English 703: Introduction to Graduate Studies in Literature

Fridays, 1:00-1:50 [some meetings to be held via zoom]

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Course Description:

This seminar is designed as an introduction to graduate study in literature and cultural theory at UW-Milwaukee as well as to current research in primary fields of emphasis that organize the study of literature and culture within the broader discipline.

The aim of the course is to provide:

- 1) basic information students will need as they progress through the program, including course requirements, academic review, exams, and the dissertation
- 2) best practices and an appropriate timeline for undertaking professional projects such as conference papers and articles
- 3) orientation to scholarly work and current debates in primary fields of research represented by the English Department faculty
- 4) discussion of the academic job market as well as a variety of alternative career paths (alt-ac)

Texts and materials:

Semenza, Graduate Study for the 21st-Century: How to Build an Academic Career in the Humanities

Additional readings posted as pdfs on Canvas, and alternatively available in hard copy as a course packet available at Clark Graphics.