

COMPOSITION (M.A.)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
ENGL 570	Classical Rhetoric	3
ENGL 602	Methods and Materials of Research	3
ENGL 603	Literary Theory and Practice	3
ENGL 607	Composition Studies	3
ENGL 608	Modern Rhetoric	3
ENGL 654	Methods of Teaching Writing Across the Curriculum	3
Total Hours		18

Code	Title	Hours
Composition Elective Courses		
Choose nine credit hours of the following:		9
COMS 554	Strategies and Tactics of Persuasion	
ENGL 600	Editing and Publishing	
ENGL 601	Writing as Cultural Engagement	
ENGL 633	Advanced English Grammar	
PPOG 635	Speech Writing for Candidates and Officeholders	
WRIT 601	Grant Writing	
WRIT 610	Writing Fiction	
WRIT 612	Creative Nonfiction	
WRIT 633	Technical Writing	
Total Hours		9

Code	Title	Hours
Elective Courses ¹		
Choose nine credit hours of elective courses ²		9
Total Hours		9

¹ Students wanting a thesis option may take ENGL 689 Thesis Proposal and Research (3 c.h.)^{3,4} & ENGL 690 Thesis Defense (3 c.h.)⁴ as part of the Elective courses

² Choose any 500-600 level course not already required in the degree

³ Any thesis student who is not ready for enrollment in ENGL 690 Thesis Defense (3 c.h.) after completing ENGL 689 Thesis Proposal and Research (3 c.h.) may be required, as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat ENGL 689 Thesis Proposal and Research (3 c.h.) until deemed ready for enrollment in ENGL 690 Thesis Defense (3 c.h.)

⁴ While ENGL 689 Thesis Proposal and Research (3 c.h.) may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
ENGL 570	Classical Rhetoric	3
ENGL 602	Methods and Materials of Research	3
ENGL 603	Literary Theory and Practice	3
		Hours
		9
Second Semester		
ENGL 607	Composition Studies	3
ENGL 608	Modern Rhetoric	3
Composition Elective ¹		3
		Hours
		9
Second Year		
First Semester		
ENGL 654	Methods of Teaching Writing Across the Curriculum	3
Composition Elective ¹		3
Elective ^{2,3}		3
		Hours
		9
Second Semester		
Composition Elective ¹		3
Elective ^{2,3}		3
Elective ^{2,3}		3
		Hours
		9
		Total Hours
		36

¹ Choose from the following courses for which prerequisites have been met: COMS 554, ENGL 600, 601, 633, PPOG 635, WRIT 601, 610, 612, or 633.

² Choose any 500-600 level course

³ Students wanting a thesis option may take ENGL 689^{4,5} & 690 as part of the Elective courses.

⁴ Any thesis student who is not ready for enrollment in ENGL 690 after completing ENGL 689 may be required as determined by the student's thesis chair, to repeat ENGL 689 until deemed ready for enrollment in 690.

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⁵ While ENGL 689 may be taken more than once, only one enrollment in the course will be permitted to count toward degree requirements.