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Overview

The SUNY New Paltz MA program offers a thorough grounding in literary history and theory in preparation for advanced work at the doctoral level, careers in secondary or community college teaching, and other professional opportunities. The program comprises 30 credits, which can be completed in as little as one year, including summer sessions or, for Teaching and Graduate Assistants, in two and a half years. Students may supplement the MA program with courses in Education to earn a joint MA/MAT degree, which qualifies them to apply for the New York State secondary teaching credential. The English Department has the largest graduate program in Liberal Arts and Sciences, with a total enrollment of seventy-five students and a faculty of twenty-four tenure-line professors. Financial support is available through Teaching and Graduate Assistantships; these competitive positions cover tuition for two courses and pay a stipend of \$2500 per semester. Assistantships are renewable to a maximum of 33 credits.



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- One official copy of a baccalaureate transcript from a regionally accredited institution with at least 36 credits in English, exclusive of freshman composition. (Applicants who present fewer than 36 undergraduate credits in English may remove this deficiency by taking additional courses as recommended by the English graduate committee.)
- A 3.0 overall cumulative undergraduate grade point average. (Applicants whose undergraduate grade point average in English is less than 3.0 may be admitted on the basis of GRE scores.)
- International applicants must provide an internet-based TOEFL score of at least 85. GREs are recommended.
- A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00
- Three letters of recommendation
- A sample of the applicant’s critical writing, either one or two essays totaling 10 pages
- A 500-word statement of purpose outlining how the master’s program will help you achieve your personal and professional goals.

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Applications to the MA in English program should be submitted by:

Fall Semester -- March 15

Spring Semester -- October 15

Applications received after the recommended deadlines will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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30 credits / All courses are three credits

ENG500 English Proseminar **3**

One course in Literary Criticism **3**

ENG550 Literary Criticism

ENG555 Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism

ENG585 Studies in Contemporary Criticism

Three courses in literature before 1800, including at least one in the pre-Early Modern period and at least one in Shakespeare. **9**

ENG501 Introduction to Old English

ENG502 Introduction to Middle English



NEW PALTZ -- The State University of New York at New Paltz has been chosen as the “Hottest Small State School” in the nation by the 2008 Kaplan/Newsweek “How to Get into College” Guide.



U.S. News & World Report’s 2011 America’s Best Colleges guidebook ranks **NEW PALTZ** 7th among the best public universities in the North with master’s degree programs.



- ENG503 Chaucer
- ENG504 English Literature of the Sixteenth
- ENG505 Shakespeare
- ENG506 English Drama through the Jacobean Period
- ENG507 English Literature of the Seventeenth
- ENG508 Milton
- ENG509 Eighteenth-Century English Literature
- ENG510 Early English Novels
- ENG511 Restoration and Eighteenth-Century English Drama
- ENG527 Development of Modern English
- ENG572 Studies in Middle English Literature
- ENG573 Studies in Sixteenth-Century English Literature
- ENG574 Studies in Shakespeare
- ENG575 Studies in Seventeenth-Century English Literature
- ENG576 Studies in Eighteenth-Century English Literature

Three courses in literature after 1800

- ENG517 English Romantic Literature
- ENG518 The English Novel of the Nineteenth Century
- ENG519 English Literature of the Victorian Period
- ENG521 Modern British Drama
- ENG522 British Literature of the Twentieth Century to 1945
- ENG523 James Joyce
- ENG524 Virginia Woolf
- ENG525 Contemporary British and American Literature Since 1945
- ENG527 The Development of Modern English
- ENG529 Ballad Revivals
- ENG532 The American Renaissance
- ENG533 American Fiction in the Nineteenth Century
- ENG534 American Poetry in the Nineteenth Century
- ENG535 Realism and Naturalism in American
- ENG536 American Fiction in the Twentieth Century to 1945
- ENG537 American Poetry in the Twentieth Century to 1945
- ENG538 Modern American Drama
- ENG539 American Fiction After 1945
- ENG541 Seminar in Creative Writing
- ENG556 Literature and Lore of the Catskill Mountains and the Hudson Valley
- ENG560 Forms of Autobiography
- ENG576 Studies in Eighteenth-Century English Literature
- ENG577 Studies in English Romanticism
- ENG578 Studies in Victorian Literature
- ENG579 Studies in Nineteenth-Century American Literature
- ENG580 Studies in Twentieth-Century American Poetry to 1945
- ENG581 Studies in Twentieth-Century American Fiction to 1945
- ENG582 Studies in Twentieth-Century British Poetry to 1945
- ENG583 Studies in Twentieth-Century British Fiction
- ENG584 Studies in Contemporary British Literature
- ENG585 Studies in Contemporary Criticism
- ENG586 Studies in Contemporary American Literature
- ENG587 Studies in Contemporary British and American Drama
- ENG588 Studies in Comparative Literature

Two electives chosen from all the courses listed above or from:

- ENG515 Modern Theories of Writing
- ENG590 Thesis in English
- ENG593 Special Topics
- ENG595 Independent Study English

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Full-time = 12 or more credits / **Part-time** = 11 credits or fewer.
NYS Resident graduate - \$4,185 (Per Semester / Full time)
Non-NYS resident graduate - \$6,890 (Per Semester / Full time)
NYS Resident graduate - \$349 (Per Credit Hour)
Non-NYS resident graduate - \$574 (Per Credit Hour)

Fees and health insurance are not included in total tuition amount.
For more information on Tuitions and Fees follow this Link:

http://www.newpaltz.edu/student_accounts/

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Graduate Opportunity Program

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/graduate_scholarship_ebrochure.pdf

Sojourner Truth Diversity Fellowship

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/graduate_scholarship_ebrochure.pdf

Teaching Assistant & Graduate Assistant Program

http://www.newpaltz.edu/graduate/TAGA_e-Brochure.pdf

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Financial aid is available to matriculated graduate students who are enrolled at least half time. Graduate students usually receive Stafford loans and potentially, NYS TAP.

To qualify for Financial Aid, students must:

1. File a FASFA and submit all requested documents.
2. Be matriculated in a graduate program.
3. Be registered for at least 6 credits during the summer, fall or spring semesters.

For more information on how to apply for TAP, Stafford loans, and Alternative Loans go to <http://www.newpaltz.edu/financialaid/index.html>

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Graduate Advising

The Office of Graduate Admission Advising provides program and admissions information to prospective graduate students in person, by phone, or via e-mail. Prospective students are able to meet on a walk-in basis or by appointment with an advisor who provides individualized program and application information. The office offers convenient evening and weekend hours.

Office Location: Graduate Advising/Regional Education

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When sending an e-mail, please include your first name, last name, the program you are interested in and your date of birth.