

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT
Graduate Course Descriptions
Spring 2020

MASTER'S LEVEL

EGL/WRT 509.01 (47428) Studies in Language and Linguistics

Prerequisite: Enrollment in an English Graduate Program (MA, MAT or PhD) or Advanced Graduate Certificate in Teaching Writing Program

The history and workings of the English language, focusing on the English language in New York City from the time of Henry Hudson

LEC 01 WEDNESDAY 5:30-8:20 JEAN GRAHAM

EGL 584.01 (54757) Topics in Genre Studies: British Romantic Poetry

Prerequisite: Enrollment in an English Graduate Program (MA, MAT or PhD)

This course will concentrate on literature of the British Romantic Period in various genres of poetry and prose. We will also consider the changing critical models through which this material has been approached, from New Criticism through New Historicism, the feminist rediscoveries of the 1980s and after, and, more recently, ecocriticism and disability studies.

LEC 01 THURSDAY 5:30-8:20 PETER MANNING

EGL 585.01 (47429) Topics in Cultural Studies: The Bible as Literature & in the World

Prerequisite: Enrollment in an English Graduate Program (MA, MAT or PhD)

A close reading of the Old and New Testament, with special emphasis on Genesis, Exodus, selections from prophetic books, the Gospels, and the Epistles to the Romans. We will ask modest questions like, Who is God, What does it mean to be human, and How do differing interpretations of the Bible influence current American culture and politics?

LEC 01 MONDAY 5:30-8:20 STEPHEN SPECTOR

EGL 587.01 (54758) Topics in Race, Ethnic Studies: Refugee Literature & Film

Prerequisite: Enrollment in an English Graduate Program (MA, MAT or PhD)

As “the refugee” is conventionally considered a powerless figure, eagerly cast aside by both migrant and host communities, this seminar will examine why various artists and theorists have recently embraced the refugee identity as a transformative position. Taking refugee literature and film as its primary object, we will consider how refugee expression varies across different geographic spaces and political conflicts, such as the civil wars in Africa, the boat exodus in Southeast Asia, and contemporary refugees from Syria.

More broadly we will engage the intellectual history of the refugee position, tracking its currency alongside similar worldly ideas like cosmopolitanism, diaspora, globalization, and transnationalism. Key thinkers to be examined will include: Giorgio Agamben, Hannah Arendt, Yen Le Espiritu, Paul Gilroy, Stuart Hall, and Edward Said, as well as writers Mohsin Hamid, Viet Thanh Nguyen, Bao Phi, Ocean Vuong, and Kao Kalia Yang.

EGL 598 Thesis Research

Prerequisite: Enrollment in English MA Program

Writing a master's thesis of 30-40 pages under the guidance of a thesis advisor and a second reader. Instructor permission and Graduate Director approval required. **Students who plan to take EGL 598 must download the appropriate form at the English department website. Then students must obtain the signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director.** This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permission to enroll.

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EGL 599 Independent Study

Prerequisite: Enrollment in an English Graduate Program (MA, MAT or PhD)

Requests for independent studies must be submitted to the Graduate Program Coordinator. English majors only. Instructor permission and Graduate Director approval required. **Students who plan to take EGL 599 must download the appropriate form at the English department website. Then students must obtain the signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director.** This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permission to enroll.

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DOCTORAL LEVEL**EGL 608.01 (46693) Relations of Lit & Other Disciplines: Translation Theory & Practice**

Prerequisite: Enrollment in English Ph.D. program or permission of instructor

This module explores how translation has been conceived throughout history and it focuses on how translation practices impact and relate to theory. Students will develop a good knowledge and practice of different types of translation – including interlingual, intralingual, and intersemiotic translation –, and grasp the ethical dilemmas that translating entails.

EGL 608.02 (54759) Relations of Lit & Other Disciplines: Disability Studies & Literature

Prerequisite: Enrollment in English Ph.D. program or permission of instructor

Disability Studies, an interdisciplinary field that includes English, Composition/Rhetoric, Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Sociology, Philosophy, History, Medical Humanities, and more, interrogates the ways in which societal barriers exacerbate an individual's impairment, contributing to their disability. Literature is partly shaped by—and can often shape—cultural assumptions, including how readers think about disability. In this course, we will examine representations of disability in literary texts written by authors with—and without—disabilities. How is disability represented by authors who have lived experience with disability, and by those who do not? What assumptions about disability are revealed through literary analysis of fiction,

EGL 690 Directed Readings

Prerequisite: Enrollment in English Ph.D. program or permission of instructor

For G4 students studying for exams and working on the Dissertation Prospectus Meeting. Full-time students need 9 credits. **Students who plan to take EGL 690 (Directed Readings) must download the appropriate form at the English department website. Then students must obtain the signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director.** This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permissions to enroll.

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EGL 695.01 (40812) Methods of Teaching English

Prerequisite: Enrollment in English Ph.D. program or permission of instructor

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EGL 697.01 (44685) Practicum in Teaching Literature

Prerequisite: English teaching assistants only

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EGL 699 Dissertation Research on Campus

Prerequisite: Must be advanced to candidacy (G5) in the English PhD program

Major portion of research must take place on SBU campus, at Cold Spring Harbor, or at the Brookhaven National Lab. Fall, Spring, and Summer. Full-time students need 9 credits. **Students who plan to take EGL 699 (Dissertation Research) must first download the appropriate form at the English department website. Then students must obtain the signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director.** This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permission to enroll.

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EGL 700 Dissertation off Campus Domestic

Prerequisite: Must be advanced to candidacy (G5) in the English PhD program

Major portion of research will take place off-campus, but in the United States and/or U.S. provinces. Please note, Brookhaven National Labs and the Cold Spring Harbor Lab are considered on-campus. All international students must enroll in one of the graduate student insurance plans and should be advised by an International Advisor. Fall, Spring, Summer. Full-time students need 9 credits.

Students who plan to take EGL 700 (Dissertation Research) must first download the appropriate form at the English department website. Then students must obtain the

signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director. This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permission to enroll.

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EGL 701 Dissertation off Campus International

Prerequisite: Must be advanced to candidacy (G5) in the English PhD program

Major portion of research will take place outside of the United States and/or U.S. provinces. Domestic students have the option of the health plan. International students who are in their home country are not covered by mandatory health plan and must contact the Insurance Office for the insurance charge to be removed. International students who are not in their home country are charged for the mandatory health insurance. If they are to be covered by another insurance plan they must file a waiver by second week of classes. The charge will only be removed if the other plan is deemed comparable. All international students must receive clearance from an International Advisor. Fall, Spring, Summer. **Students who plan to take EGL 700 (Dissertation Research) must first download the appropriate form at the English department website. Full-time students need 9 credits. Then students must obtain the signature of the faculty member(s) they are working with, as well as the signature of the Graduate Program Director.** This form then goes to the Graduate Program Coordinator who issues permission to enroll.

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IF YOU PLAN TO REGISTER FOR EGL 599, 615, 690, 699, 700 or 701, YOU MUST REGISTER WITH A FACULTY MEMBER WHO IS TEACHING - DO NOT REGISTER WITH SOMEONE WHO IS ON LEAVE.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS ABOVE REGARDING NEEDED FORMS AND PERMISSIONS.