

<u>Durham University</u>
<u>Faculty Handbook Online</u>
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These programme regulations should be read in conjunction with the University's <u>core regulations for</u> undergraduate programmes, and the marking and classification conventions for undergraduate programmes.

BA ENGLISH LITERATURE (Q300) BA ENGLISH LITERATURE (WITH YEAR ABROAD) (Q302) BA ENGLISH LITERATURE (WITH PLACEMENT YEAR) (Q303)

1. This programme is available at Durham City, in a full-time mode of study.

Level 1 (Certificate)

2. Candidates will study and be assessed in the following modules to the value of 60 credits:

		Credit value
Introduction to Drama	ENGL1011	20
Introduction to the Novel	ENGL1061	20
Introduction to Poetry	ENGL1071	20

3. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List A:

List A:		Credit value
Ancient Worlds and English Literature	ENGL1031	20
Epic and the Literature of Legend	ENGL1041	20
Romance and the Literature of Chivalry	ENGL1051	20

4. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List A or from the Level 1 open modules offered by other Boards of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules to the value of 20 credits offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study)§

Level 2 (Diploma)

5. Candidates will study and be assessed in the following modules to the value of 40 credits:

		Credit value
Theory and Practice of Literary Criticism	ENGL2011	20
Shakespeare	ENGL2021	20

6. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List B:

List B:		Credit value
Chaucer ф	ENGL2121	20
Renaissance Literature Level 2 φ	ENGL2041	20
Victorian Literature	ENGL2071	20
Literature of the Modern Period	ENGL2081	20
Old English Level 2 φ Δ	ENGL2091	20
American Poetry	ENGL2141	20
Postcolonial World Literatures	ENGL2801	20

7. Candidates will also be assessed to the value of 20 credits from List C:

List C		Credit value
Arthurian Literature	ENGL2381	20
Fin-de-Siecle Fiction	ENGL2291	20
Contemporary US Fiction and the Question of Genre	ENGL2771	20
Writing Women: Gendering Literature, c.800-1600	ENGL2781	20
Romantic Plays and Players	ENGL2791	20
Literature and the Internet	ENGL2831	20

What is Literature? Literary Thought from Antiquity to

Modernity

Hotel Stories

Stagecraft and Subversion in the Early English Drama

Ted Hughes

ENGL2841

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ENGL2821

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ENGL2861

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ENGL2871

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8. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List B or from List A (above, subject to the restriction under point 5) or from the Level 2 open modules offered by other Boards of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules to the value of 20 credits offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study) ~~

Level 3 (Degree)

9. Candidates will study and be assessed in the following module to the value of 40 credits:

		Credit value
40-Credit Dissertation	ENGL3162	40

10. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 40 credits from List D:

List D:		Credit value
Restoration and 18 th Century Literature φ	ENGL3051	20
Literature of the Romantic Period	ENGL3061	20
Old English Level 3 φ Δ	ENGL3091	20
American Fiction Level 3	ENGL3131	20
Post-War Fiction and Poetry	ENGL3591	20
Medieval Literature ф	ENGL3661	20

11. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List E:

List E (Special Topics): Writing Prose Fiction	ENGL3171	Credit value 20
The Politics of Style: From Close Reading to "World	ENGL3741	20
Literature"		
Mind and Narrative	<u>ENGL3711</u>	20
Creative Writing Poetry	ENGL3271	20
Keats and Shelley	ENGL3611	20
From Romance to Romanticism: An Introduction to	ENGL3641	20
English Ballads		
Literary Psychoanalysis	ENGL3831	20
Reading Games, Playing Books	ENGL3841	20
Digital Deformations	ENGL3821	20
Disapora Literature: Contexts, Concepts and Form	ENGL3881	20
Life Write Now: Reading Contemporary Autofiction	ENGL3891	20
Literature and the Artinatural 1850-1950	ENGL3911	20
Life-Writing and Mental Health	ENGL3901	20
The Domestic Object in Edwardian and Modern	ENGL3981	20
Fiction		

12. Candidates will also study and be assessed in modules to the value of 20 credits from List D, List E, from List B (above), or from the Level 3 open modules offered by other Boards of Studies (including appropriate credit-bearing language modules offered by the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study) ~~

Assessment, progression and award

- 13. At least one module marked φ must be chosen over Levels 2 and 3.
- 14. Modules marked Δ may be taken at either level 2 or level 3, to a total value of 40 credits.
- 15. Modules marked ~~ indicate that students may choose modules from other Boards of Studies to the maximum value of 40 credits across Levels 2 and 3 together.

- 16. Appropriate credit-bearing language modules from the University's Centre for Foreign Language Study may be taken during Level 3, but only if the combined total of language modules and Level 2 modules taken during Level 3 does not exceed 30 credits.
- 17. § indicates that, subject to the approval of the Chair of the Board of Studies in the School of Modern Languages and Cultures, students in the Department of English Studies may choose one of the following Level 1 modules in French:

French Language 1(I) FREN1011 20
Reading French Literature FREN1031 20

Year 3 (Year Abroad)

- 18. Students will undertake an approved placement at a foreign university, taking a course of study chosen in consultation with the programme director and the host institution. Students are particularly encouraged to take literary modules that might be uniquely tied to the regional, national and/or international status of the host institution and/or to take advantage of opportunities to develop/refine foreign language skills if appropriate.
- 19. Students who the English Studies Board of Examiners deems to have made satisfactory progress on the year abroad, judged by reference to each student's learning agreement, will continue to Level 3 of the BA English Literature (with Year Abroad) (Q302). Students who have not made satisfactory progress on the year abroad will not be permitted to continue on the BA English Literature (with Year Abroad) (Q302) programme, but must instead proceed to the final year of the BA English Literature (Q300).

Year 3 (Placement)

20. Students admitted to the BA English Literature (Q300) are able to apply to transfer to the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) programme (Q303). Students taking the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) (Q303) will undertake an approved placement or placements in a UK or overseas organisation consisting of at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience.

Following the placement year, students will be required to successfully complete a placement assessment as agreed by the Department, to determine whether the programme learning outcomes have been met. Assessment does not contribute to the marks used to determine the award of the degree but successful completion is required to qualify for the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) (Q303). If a student fails, they will transfer to the BA English Literature (Q300) programme.

- 21. Candidates wishing to transfer to the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) (Q303) must:
 - a. have successfully completed Level 1 of the BA English Literature (Q300) and progressed to Level 2 of the programme; and
 - b. during the first term of Level 2 study, apply to the Board of Studies in the Department of English to be admitted to the BA English Literature (with Placement) (Q303) and have their application approved by the Chair of the Board of Studies; and
 - c. secure a placement / year abroad opportunity or opportunities comprising at least 40 weeks of professional-level work experience, agreed with the Departmental Placement Year Convenor and Faculty Placement Officer; and
 - d. successfully complete Level 2 of the BA English Literature (Q300) so as to be eligible to progress to Level 3 of the BA English Literature (Q300).
- 22. Students whom the Board of Examiners for the Department of English deem to have fulfilled the programme learning outcomes and who successfully pass the placement assessment will continue to Level 3 of the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) (Q303). Students who fail will not be permitted to continue on the BA English Literature (with Placement Year) (Q303) programme, but must instead proceed to the final year of the BA English Literature programme (Q300).