18-Hour Milestone in College English Studies

The Milestone in College English Studies provides a coherent and rigorous course of study for those pursuing a Master of Arts Degree in English who want to teach English core courses at two-year colleges or dual credit English courses in high schools. It helps to ensure quality in the teaching of English core and dual credit courses by enhancing the expertise of English teachers through study of the body of knowledge and theory that builds a solid pedagogical foundation for the organization and delivery of course content. Those who wish to enter a doctoral program with training and teaching experience may also benefit in regard to teaching assistantships.

Note: Completion of the Milestone in College English Studies will be designated on a student’s graduate transcript.

Admission Eligibility and Progress:
Students pursuing the Milestone in College English Studies must be concurrently admitted to the Master of Arts program in English or another master’s program at The University of Texas at Tyler. Students must complete a Milestone Permission Form and maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA for Milestone courses.

Curriculum:
The Milestone in College English Studies consists of 18-hours (6 courses) all of which count toward the hours needed to complete a Master of Arts in English at UT Tyler. Course emphasis is on composition, literature, and research and theoretical frameworks for teaching College English.

Required courses for the Milestone in College English Studies (15 hours):
ENGL 5300 Bibliography and Methods of Research
ENGL 5390 Studies in Composition or ENGL 5388 History and Practice of Rhetoric
ENGL 5389 Practicum in Composition Instruction
ENGL 53xx One course in early American, British, or World literature
ENGL 53xx One course in later American, British, or World literature

Electives (3 hours):
ENGL 5367 Studies in Creative Writing
ENGL 5369 Topics in English
ENGL 5383 Contrastive Linguistics
ENGL 5388 History and Practice of Rhetoric or ENGL 5390 Studies in Composition (if not taken as a required course)
ENGL 5391 Studies in Technical and Scientific Writing
ENGL 5392 Writing Centers: Theory and Practice (face-to-face delivery only)
ENGL 53xx early American, British, or World literature
ENGL 53xx later American, British, or World literature

All courses included in the Milestone meet degree plan category requirements for the Master of Arts in English at UT Tyler. Category requirements for the English M.A. are listed below.

English M.A. students must complete at least two courses in the Theory, Writing and Rhetoric category, at least two courses in the Early / Early Modern Literature category, and at least two courses in the Later Literature category. Students also must complete four elective courses without completing a thesis or three elective courses if completing a thesis. In addition to specified categories and electives, all English M.A. students are required to take ENGL 5300 Bibliography and Methods of Research and ENGL 5397 GIS.

Delivery:
The milestone in College English Studies may be completed entirely online or by combining online and face-to-face classes.

For further information about the Milestone in CES and/or for a Milestone Permission Form, contact the English M.A. Program at englishma@uttyler.edu or the Department of Literature and Languages at (903) 566-7373.