Requirements for the Degree

(Also available at:

http://academics.utep.edu/Default.aspx?tabid=4662)

A minimum of 45-51 credit hours beyond the MA.

15 hours of core courses, 9 hours in a concentration, 3 hours of graduate seminar, 3 hours of an internship course, 3 hours of an elective course, and 12 hours of research courses, including the dissertation.

A. Foundation (Prerequisite) Courses

English 5309: Introduction to Rhetoric and Writing Studies

English 5346: English Teaching Methods

B. Required Core Courses

English 6310: English 6311 English 6319: English 6320: English 6321:

Rhetorical History I Rhetorical History II Composition Studies Advanced Critical Theories (Rhetorics of Race and Ethnicity) Rhetoric and Technology

C. Concentration

Three courses on a particular topic (in or outside of the English Department) according to the student's interest with the advisor's approval.

D. Graduate Seminar

English 6130: Graduate Seminar in Rhetoric

E. Internship

English 5317: Professional Writing Internship OR English 5318: Community Literacy Internship

F. Elective

Any graduate-level English course or an approved course from a related discipline outside of the English Department.

G. Research Courses

English 6395: Dissertation Preparation English 6398 and 6399: Dissertation

H. Maximum Time to Completion

Students accepted into the PhD program in Rhetoric and Composition must complete all requirements for the degree within eight years.

I. Qualifying Exams

Students will take qualifying exams after successful completion of the language requirement and all courses with the exception of English 6395 and the dissertation.