

Graduate Certificate in New Literatures

Graduate Certificates offered by the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh are designed to provide students with specialized knowledge and skills to foster personal and professional development. Specifically, the purpose of the Graduate Certificate in New Literatures is to provide proficiency in analyzing one or more areas of the "new literatures" – which requires, for example, learning about the social and historical forces that have shaped an area such as U.S. ethnic, postcolonial, women's, or gay and lesbian literatures – as well as to improve the student's ability to write analytical papers.

Full Standing Admission Criteria:

- ✓ Minimum 2.75 overall undergraduate grade point average or a 2.90 grade point average for the last half of the student's baccalaureate program.
- ✓ Probationary Admission will be considered on an individual basis.

To be considered for admission to the certificate program, please submit the following materials to the Office of Graduate Studies:

- 1. A completed on-line application (https://apply.wisconsin.edu/) form with a \$56.00 application fee.
- 2. A brief application essay of 250-500 words stating why the student is seeking admission to the certificate program.
- 3. Official undergraduate transcripts showing completion of a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution.

Once admitted, students must complete all academic work applying toward the certificate within four years and maintain a minimum 3.00 grade point average throughout the program. After completion of the 12-credit Graduate Certificate in New Literatures, students will have comprehension of theories, concepts, and methods of literature in subject areas such as:

- ✓ African American Literature
- ✓ Contemporary Literature
- ✓ Postcolonial African Literature
- ✓ Asian American Literature
- ✓ African Literature
- ✓ Native American Literature
- ✓ Gay and Lesbian Literature
- ✓ Modern British Fiction
- ✓ American Short Story
- ✓ Modern American Novel
- ✓ Contemporary American Poetry

For additional information and application materials, please contact the English Department at (920) 424-7287 or the Office of Graduate Studies at (920) 424-1223.