COMPARATIVE & WORLD LITERATURE: WORLD LITERATURE, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences Major in Comparative & World Literature, World Literature Concentration

program website: https://complit.illinois.edu/
program faculty: Comparative & World Literature Faculty (https://complit.illinois.edu/faculty)
overview of college admissions & requirements: LAS admissions information (https://www.las.illinois.edu/prospective)
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The Major in Comparative & World Literature, World Literature Concentration focuses on breadth in the study of literatures and cultures from around the globe, read in English translation (no foreign language required beyond the General Education requirement). This concentration can be easily combined with a certificate in Translation Studies, a major or minor in Global Studies, Area Studies, Ethnic Studies, Gender and Women's Studies, or majors and minors in anthropology, cinema and media studies, history, music, political science, philosophy, world religion, the visual arts, and related fields.

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A Major Plan of Study Form must be completed and submitted to the LAS Student Affairs Office before the end of the fifth semester (60 - 75 hours). Please see your adviser.

Departmental distinction: To be eligible for distinction, a student must have at least a 3.25 cumulative grade-point average and a 3.75 grade-point average in departmental courses, complete a senior thesis (CWL 493), and receive the approval of the departmental honors committee. The departmental honors committee will determine the level of distinction to be awarded.

World Literature Concentration Requirements

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (https://courses.illinois.edu) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

Minimum required major and supporting course work equate to 33 hours with at least 18 hours of Comparative Literature courses. Twelve hours of 300-400-level courses in the major must be taken on this campus.

Minimum hours required for graduation: 120 hours. Students will complete 40 hours of upper division coursework (these hours can be drawn from all elements of the degree).

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<td>Five core CWL courses chosen from broadly comparative courses, from the following:</td>
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<td>Global Consciousness and Lit</td>
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Three courses from at least two national traditions at 200-400 level. No more than 2 courses at the 200-level. Chosen from any literature courses offered by the following departments:

- African American Studies
- American Indian Studies
- Asian American Studies
- Gender & Women's Studies
- Classics
- East Asian Languages & Cultures
- English
- French & Italian
- Germanic Languages & Literature
- Jewish Culture & Society
- Latino/Latina Studies
- Slavic Languages & Literature
- Spanish & Portuguese

Area / Cultural Studies Coursework - Two courses at 300-400 level in any literature or in one of the following fields:

- Another discipline: e.g. philosophy, cinema, art history, fine arts, music, religion, science, medical humanities, law, creative writing.
- Cultural studies: e.g. race, gender, class, postcolonialism, environmental studies.

Area Studies: Africa, Middle East, Latin America, South Asia, East Asia, Eastern Europe, the European Union.

Minimum Required Hours: 

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