

Virginia Tech, Department of English
Plan of Study: PhD in Rhetoric and Writing

Student's Name _____ VT ID Number _____

Date of plan submission _____

Instructions for Completing This Form

- Please 1) consult the tentative course offerings sheet for information on upcoming courses;
- 2) consult with your faculty advisor in choosing courses;
- 3) complete this form in middle of your **third semester of study in the program.**

Please Note: The completed form must be approved by all the members of your committee as well as the Director of the PhD Program and the Director of Graduate Studies in the English Department before being submitted to the Graduate School.

Once the Plan of Study has been approved, any changes require a "Plan of Study Change" form to be approved by your advisor, the PhD director, and the English graduate program director and then be submitted to the Graduate School.

Please consult the Graduate Catalog for a complete discussion of relevant policies and requirements.
<http://www.grads.vt.edu/academics/gcat/index.html>

Degree Requirements

All PhD students must complete a minimum of 60 semester hours of graduate coursework past the bachelor's degree plus 30 hours of research and dissertation, distributed as follows:

I. Foundation: 12 hours *Include the semester and year for VT and for transfer courses*

| | Semester & Year of Completion | Transfer Credit: University | Transfer Course #, Name, # of Credits Earned, Final Grade (minimum grade of B) |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| ENGL 6314 Classical Rhetoric in Written Communication | | | |
| ENGL 6324 Modern Rhetoric | | | |
| ENGL 6364 Research Design in Rhetoric and Writing | | | |
| ENGL 6524 Theories of Written Communication | | | |

II. Rhetoric in Society: 12 hours *Include the semester and year for VT and transfer courses; choose 3 beyond ENGL 6334; ENGL 6514 may be repeated 3 times for credit*

| | Semester /Year | Transfer / Univ | Transfer Course #, Name, # of Credits Earned, Final Grade (minimum grade of B) |
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| ENGL 6334 Rhetoric in Society | | | |
| ENGL 6514 Studies in Rhetoric <i>(may be repeated up to 3 times)</i> | | | |

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| <i>for credit)</i> | | | |
| ENGL 6344 Rhetoric in Digital Environments | | | |
| ENGL 5614 Visual Rhetoric | | | |
| ENGL 5674 Rhetoric of Science and Technology | | | |

III. Studies in Writing and Communication: 12 hours *Include the semester and year for VT and for transfer courses*

| | Semester /Year | Transfer / Univ | Transfer Course #, Name, # of Credits Earned, Final Grade (minimum grade of B) |
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| ENGL 5004 Theory and Practice of University Writing Instruction (6 hours) | | | |
| ENGL 5054 Composition Theory | | | |
| ENGL 5064 Topics in Language | | | |
| ENGL 5654 Professional Writing Pedagogy | | | |
| ENGL 5644 Genres of Professional Practice | | | |
| ENGL 5624 Intercultural Communication | | | |
| ENGL 6374 Field Methods of Research and in Rhetoric and Writing | | | |

IV. Electives from Rhetoric and Writing: 9 hours *Include the semester and year for VT and for transfer courses*

| <i>Course: prefix, number, title</i> | Semester /Year | Transfer / Univ | Transfer Course #, Name, # of Credits Earned, Final Grade (minimum grade of B) |
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V. Cognate Area or Additional Electives: 15 hours *Include the semester and year for VT and for transfer courses*

| <i>Course: prefix, number, title</i> | Semester /Year | Transfer / Univ | Transfer Course #, Name, # of Credits Earned, Final Grade (minimum grade of B) |
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VI. Research and Dissertation: 30 hours

| | Credits (1-19) | Semester /Year |
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| ENGL 7994 | | |
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VII. Compliance with the Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies Resolution 2012-13B: 1 hour

semester & year

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| a. | GRAD 5014 Academic Integrity and Plagiarism, attendance at the Orientation Session and subsequent required workshops. |
| b. | Attended sessions at the orientation for incoming graduate students in English in August |
| c. | Attended the panel/workshop on plagiarism and fair use |
| d. | Student has read and understands the Research Integrity Office's brochure on "Research Misconduct – What it is and How to Avoid It" (http://www.research.vt.edu/research-integrity-office/brochure/misconduct-brochure.pdf). |

Student has satisfied the requirements for the Scholarly Ethics and Integrity Component:

Signatures_____
Student_____
Date_____
Advisor_____
Date_____
Director of Graduate Studies_____
Date**Signatures**

| Position | Typed name | Signature | Date |
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| Optional Outside Dissertation Committee Member | | | |