English M.A. Program
FINAL PROJECT/THESIS PROPOSAL FORM

Name: ___________________________ UMS#: ___________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Date of Submission: ___________________________

Final Project/Thesis Information:

I plan to complete my Final Project/Thesis in:

FALL 20____ (year)  SPRING 20____ (year)

My Final Project/Thesis will be: (check one)

____ Analytical Essay
____ Creative Writing Project
____ Curriculum Unit
____ Timed Exam

My Final Project/Thesis credits will be: (check one)

____ 3 credit Final Project  ____ 6 credit Thesis (must discuss with GPD)

My Concentration is: (check one)

____ Literature  ____ Composition  ____ Creative Writing

Final Project/Thesis Working Title:

Final Project/Thesis Required Signature:

Final Project Advisor Name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________

Final Project/Thesis Readers (leave blank, to be assigned):

Reader #1: ___________________________ Reader #2: ___________________________

(see directions on next page)
Final Project/Thesis Proposal—Please include this Form and:

1. Final Project/Thesis Prospectus of at least 500 words for three-credit Final Project or 1000 words for six-credit Thesis.
   • The prospectus should state your main topic, working arguments or goals, and concepts under development. Simply put, it should explain the ideas you plan to explore. It can predict how you might organize your ideas into sub-sections. It can culminate with open-ended questions.
   • A literature prospectus should make clear the central authors, literary texts, and time period you are examining. All prospectuses should explain the key thinkers, theorists, or writers who are influencing the final project’s ideas.
   • As you format your prospectus, please add a heading with your name, email address, and the date. It should be labeled with your working title.

2. Final Project/Thesis Bibliography of at least 12 sources.
   • Your sources should be listed according to the categories of primary sources and secondary sources.
   • Your sources should feature up-to-date materials and include books and articles.
   • Your Final Project/Thesis Advisor can help you determine leading figures in your field, making sure that your sources reflect current research trends.

3. Final Project/Thesis Calendar of at least 4 dates.
   • Please create a calendar that lists at least four dates that you have agreed on with your Final Project/Thesis Advisor: 1) due date for draft of a first sub-section, 2) due date for draft of a second sub-section, 3) due date for draft of entire project, 4) M.A. Program due date for final draft of final project.

Final Project/Thesis Next Steps—Please be prepared to:

1. Meet with your Final Project/Thesis Readers.
   • Meet with your Readers to discuss your project and bibliography.

2. Expand your Bibliography to an Annotated Bibliography.
   • Create an Annotated Bibliography of at least 12 sources and submit to the English M.A. Office. Due dates are announced by the English M.A. Office.

Please make three copies of this Form and all materials. Submit to the English M.A. Office. Due dates available from English M.A. Office.