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“People”

“Student News”

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The point-person for all money matters in our department is English Department administrative assistant Chelsea

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basic behavioral health services

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! Clough Center Fellowships

\$6,000

Doctoral Fellowships

\$7,500 in year 1 and \$5,000 in year 2

fellowships

\$6,000 \$7,500

one-year doctoral

Research and Public Service Fellowships

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Graduate assistantships

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nine hours per week

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École Normale Supérieure (ENS) exchange program

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I. Advising, coursework, and program requirements

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Coursework

required to take a PhD seminar in each of their first four
semesters

a methods course

In their third or fourth year, they enroll in the Advanced
Research Colloquium, a required professionalization seminar

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Boston-Area Graduate Consortium.

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Graduate Consortium in Women's Studies (GCWS)

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!Teaching

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! weekly meetings

in

the other semester, you commonly teach either Lit Core or an introductory course for sophomore and junior English majors

In your fourth year, you teach an undergraduate elective of your own design

or fellowship years
courses with faculty-level enrollment caps (currently, 34 for Lit Core and 15 for FWS)

Instructors past the stipend
teach Core

Advisers

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Teaching mentors

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Research and Scholarship Integrity (RSI) requirement

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Teaching and writing prizes

Donald J. White Teaching Excellence Awards

\$600 for a TF or \$350 for a TA

Von Hendy Award

\$250

Academic conferences

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II. The exams

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General guidelines

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III. The dissertation

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General advice

150–350 pages (50,000–120,000 words)

Dissertations of non-traditional form or focus

Candidates should be advised that some forms of dissertation carry greater risk on the tenure-track job market depending on how they are couched and executed.

Dissertations focusing on cultural products other than literary works

Dissertations discussing and classifying a substantial primary-source archive

Dissertations primarily expressing research in a form other than analysis or criticism.

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!The dissertation defense

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IV. Program outcomes

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Placement officer

mock interviews

Time to degree

7.4 years



Graduation

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Full-time, permanent academic placements, 1990–2010⁵

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