

## MA in English Literature Syllabus

The IUB MA in English Literature offers students two options: Literature in English and Comparative Literature. Students may opt for one of these areas based on their interest and career aims. While the IUB MA allows for specialization for students who want to pursue higher studies in particular areas, it also allows a wide choice of courses geared to student interest.

The IUB MA in English Literature is open to all four-year graduates who have majored in English. Students who have not majored in English may be considered, but will have to complete 12 credits by taking the following BA in English Literature courses: ENG 201, ENG 203, ENG 305, and ENG 403.

Credit requirements: Students have to complete 36 credits, which are divided into course work, and thesis or work experience. Students must take the four core courses and choose six electives, of which at least two must be taken from the student's own area of focus. For the remaining 6 credits, students have the option to write a thesis or have work experience.

### Course and credit distribution

|                             |            |           |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Core courses                | 12 credits | 4 courses |
| Electives                   | 18 credits | 6 courses |
| Thesis /<br>Work Experience | 6 credits  |           |
| Total                       | 36 credits |           |

### Courses offered

#### Core Courses 12 credits

ENG 501: Research Methodology  
ENG 502: Contemporary Literary Theory  
ENG 503: Contemporary Literature in English  
ENG 504: Contemporary World Literature in Translation

#### Elective Courses (any 3) 9 credits

ENG 511: The Great Epics  
ENG 512: Women in Literature  
ENG 513: Feminist Literary Theory  
ENG 514: The Literature of War  
ENG 515: Other Literatures in English  
ENG 516: Postcolonial Readings of Literature  
ENG 517: Postmodernism  
ENG 518: Editing and Publishing in Literature  
ENG 519: Major Author  
ENG 520: Special Topic

**Area electives**

**9 credits**

Students choose any 3 courses of which at least 2 must be from their streams

**Electives from Literature in English**

ENG 521: Contemporary British Literature

ENG 522: Contemporary American Literature

ENG 523: The Irish Strain

ENG 524: Modern and Contemporary Drama in English

ENG 525: Shakespeare Studies

ENG 526: Contemporary South Asian Literature in English

ENG 527: Advanced Creative Writing

**Electives from Comparative Literature**

ENG 531: Translation Studies

ENG 532: European Literature in Translation

ENG 533: South Asian Literature in Translation

ENG 534: Contemporary Bangla Literature

ENG 535: Race and Racism in Literature

ENG 536: Religious and Devotional Poetry

ENG 537: Women's Tradition in Bangla Literature: Chandrabati to Selina Hossain

ENG 538: World Drama

ENG 539: Latin American Literature

ENG 540: Out of Africa

ENG 599: Thesis/Work Experience 6 credits

An overview of the programme

**1<sup>ST</sup> SEMESTER (AUTUMN, AUGUST – DECEMBER)**

**2 Core Courses (6 credits)**

ENG 501: Research Methodology

ENG 502: Contemporary Literary Theory

**3 Elective Courses (9 credits)**

**2<sup>ND</sup> SEMESTER ( SPRING, JANUARY – APRIL)**

**2 Core Courses** (6 credits)

ENG 503: Contemporary Literature in English

ENG 504: Contemporary World Literature in Translation

**3 Elective Courses** (9 credits)

3<sup>RD</sup> SEMESTER ( SUMMER, MAY - AUGUST)

ENG 599: Thesis/Work Experience (6 credits)