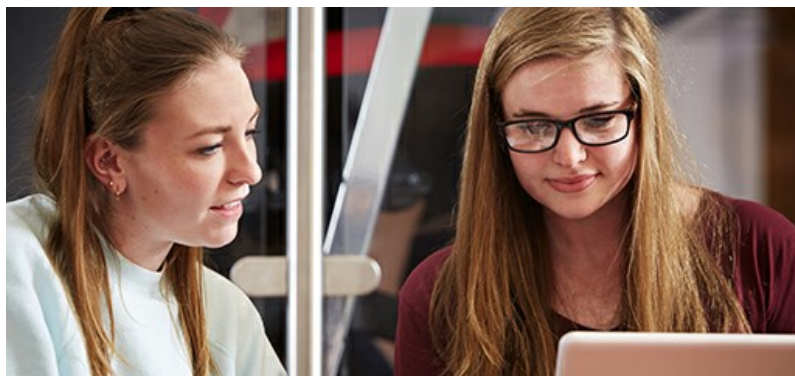


## Postgraduate study in English Literature



Postgraduate study in English Literature at the University of Birmingham comprises a range of exciting and focused programmes across both taught and research degrees. The postgraduate programmes have an excellent staff-to-student ratio which enables students to develop their own research with support and guidance via expert, tailored supervision.

The postgraduate and research community in the department is an active one, with conferences, reading groups and events run by the postgraduate students as well as academic staff. Postgraduate students are encouraged to take part in reading groups such as the **PsyLit Network** (<http://uobpsylit.wordpress.com>), Poetry Reading Group, **Contemporary Fiction Seminar** (<http://researchingthecontemporary.net/>), and the Undergraduate Research Forum, which involves presentations of work in progress from undergraduates,

postgraduates and staff. Students will have the opportunity to participate in an annual department Graduate Conference for MA/MRes/MPhil/PhD students. This is organised by a graduate student committee who are in charge of curating the theme and call for papers, putting together the programme, and managing a small budget to cater the event. The conference is attended by staff and students.

The Department of English Literature at the University of Birmingham offers a variety of taught and research postgraduate degrees developed to support different student needs.

### Programmes

*Thinking of building on your UG studies, or perhaps preparing for PhD Research?*

For our taught and research Masters level courses we offer distinct pathways for those students looking to develop specific research interests, with a focus on building toward doctoral study; and an open route through the MA in Literature and Culture for those who prefer a broader overview of the subject.

- **Literature and Culture MA** (</postgraduate/courses/taught/english/english-literature.aspx>)
- **Medieval Studies MA** (</postgraduate/courses/taught/history/medieval-studies.aspx>)
- **Medieval Studies MRes** (</postgraduate/courses/combined/english/medieval-studies.aspx>)

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Go to our **research pages** (</schools/edacs/departments/english/research/index.aspx>) and **staff profiles** (</schools/edacs/departments/english/staff/index.aspx>) for details of specific research interests and areas of supervision.

Please follow the link below for information on how to apply.

- **English Literature PhD/MA by Research (On Campus or by Distance Learning)** (</postgraduate/courses/research/english/english-literature.aspx>)

The School of English, Drama and American & Canadian Studies offers a wide range of postgraduate programmes. **Visit the EDACS website for details** (</schools/edacs/postgraduate/index.aspx>).

All of our postgraduate students become part of the **College of Arts and Law Graduate School** (</schools/calgs/index.aspx>). Visit the website to find out more about its vibrant research community and top class facilities, as well as **funding and scholarship opportunities** (</schools/calgs/scholarships/index.aspx>).