

MA Student Learning Outcomes

Outcome 1

Thesis and Exam Option:

In either a thesis or an exam, students will produce writing that is characterized according to the following rubric: 1) mature in thought, rhetorically accomplished, and proficient in style and mechanics; that 2) demonstrates a professional maturity in the discipline, including knowledge of existing scholarship on the writers/works under discussion; that 3) reflects an awareness of critical traditions and can engage in contemporary critical debate.

Outcome 2

Students will produce writing that is publishable, meeting the standards of appropriate professional journals in the discipline and being accepted for presentation at conferences.

Outcome 3

Academic and professional accomplishment that leads to successful pursuit of a career in teaching, another profession of choice, or further advanced study.