

Application Form

Please read the requirements on page two before completing this form.
Email completed form to the Department Administrator at gchoi2@uchicago.edu.

Name:

Today's Date:

UCID#:

Email Address:

Telephone:

College Advisor:

Current year in the College:

Expected Grad. Date (mm/yr):

To be completed with the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

List 1) your foreign languages with the level of proficiency, and 2) the courses you have taken or plan to take as constituting your two fields of concentration and fulfill the requirements of special topics, and methodology. Please indicate both the course number and the name. The lists will necessarily be provisional, since desired courses may not always be available. If the lists are altered as you move along in your course of study, the changes must be approved by the Director of Undergraduate Studies. Mark in-progress courses with an asterisk (*). The language proficiency can be shown through the course work, a language proficiency exam, or a proof of the native competence.

Three Foreign Language Classes beyond the first year sequence (two-year proficiency of one foreign language is required):

Major Field:

Supporting Field:

1.

1.

2.

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Special Topics in Comparative Literature, or Theory (2) [Usually, the courses listed with CMPLT tag]:

1.

2.

Comparative Methods in the Humanities
(required methodology course):

B.A. Thesis Workshop (one-year-long, once per week one hour)

Who? Most students majoring in Comp Lit share interests in (i) language and literature; (ii) some aspects of literary/critical theory; and (iii) already have or are ready to acquire the two-year level proficiency in a foreign language. In addition to students who choose to study more than one literary tradition, Comp Lit welcomes candidates who wish to pursue an interdisciplinary program that includes, alongside literature, the study of other arts, disciplines, or fields of knowledge, both within and outside the Humanities.

How? The first task in preparing a Comp Lit application is to read the description of the Comp Lit program in the College catalogue. If you have strong interests which seem not to fit into one single coherent program of studies, for example, Russian Literature and Mathematics, Modern Greek and Japanese Literatures, your place might be right here in the Department of Comparative Literature which allows you to embrace a major and a supporting field and help you develop a coherent intellectual thesis, involving both your fields of interests. You may find it helpful to speak with your instructors and college advisors about your ideas. You should meet with the Comp Lit Director of Undergraduate Studies before submitting your application.

When? The Comp Lit Department expects that most candidates will choose their major towards the end of their second year. Some students choose the major early in their third year, or still later. To join the department as a major, please email the DUS to informally declare your interest in the major, describing your interests in one paragraph or two, and meet with the DUS to discuss your potential coursework and to fill in the application.

What? The application for Comp Lit consists of two items: (1) The form, which is the front of this sheet, and (2) your transcripts. Director of Undergraduate Studies should approve your planned coursework, before you officially declare the major with your College advisor.