Secondary Field

Comparative Literature

Comparative Literature offers a secondary field for students who wish to work across languages, cultures, and media in a comparative and interdisciplinary context.

REQUIREMENTS

Comparative Literature: 5 courses (20 credits)

1. COMPLIT 97 (sophomore tutorial) to be taken as early as possible in the student's program of study.
2. Two courses from offerings in Comparative Literature at the 100-level or above.
3. Two courses that examine:
    a. A literature other than English, with readings of primary texts in that language. This category can include courses from a national literature or area studies department. OR
    b. One course in category *a* above and one creative/studio course (e.g., creative writing, music composition, film making, etc.).

OTHER INFORMATION

All courses must be letter-graded and must be passed with a grade of B or above. First-Year Seminars may not be counted toward the fulfillment of the above requirements. However, students may count courses taken while studying abroad, as well as courses taken at the Harvard Summer School toward secondary field requirements. Students pursuing a secondary field in Comparative Literature will receive preferential access to Comparative Literature courses with limited enrollment.

ADVISING RESOURCES AND EXPECTATIONS

All students interested in pursuing a secondary field in Comparative Literature should contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies (DUS), Dr. Sandra Naddaff, at snaddaff@fas.harvard.edu or 617-495- 5650 as soon as possible to discuss their Plan of Study. Since only Comparative Literature students are allowed to enroll in COMPLIT 97, students pursuing a secondary field in Comparative Literature should contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies before the first meeting of the sophomore tutorial. The DUS will be responsible for advising these students, although the expectation will be that students working toward a secondary field in Comparative Literature will monitor their own progress toward fulfillment of the requirements.