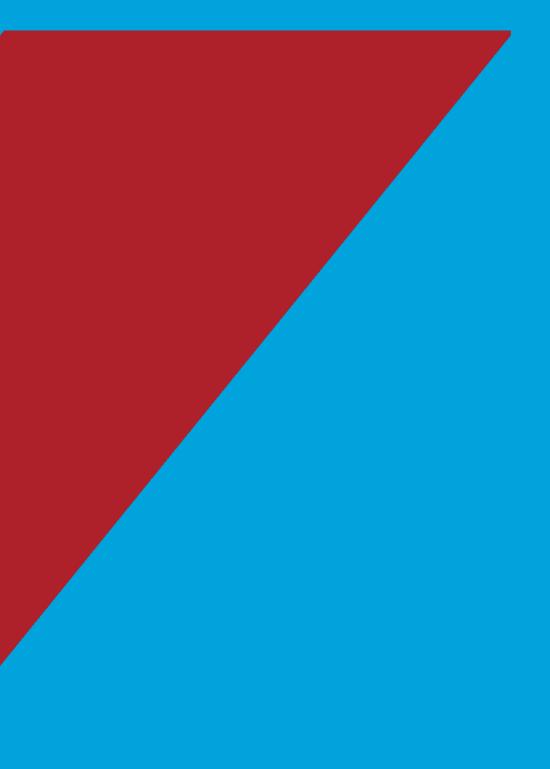


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# Toetsplan

Master Literary Studies



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Data in this Assessment plan may be subject to change as a result of the exceptional situation caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Such changes fall within the range of options outlined by the Faculty Board and the Board of Examiners.

### 1 / Visie op onderwijs en toetsing

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Our vision of education places the responsibility for student learning with the students themselves: autonomous, independent learning. This translates into a vision of assessment, in line with the University's assessment policy (2014), in which the emphasis is on formative and summative assessment that on the one hand aims to guide students' learning process, and on the other allows us to assess whether students have met the programme learning outcomes.

Learning outcomes are assessed incrementally, by assessing specific learning outcomes for individual course units, as specified in the matrix of learning outcomes (Appendix 4). Course units in each track assess both the programme learning outcomes that are shared across tracks as well as those that are specific to each track. The matrix shows a good balance of testing knowledge, application, communication and language skills in the different course units. Assessment forms are varied, and depend on the specific learning outcomes that are to be assessed, and on whether the assessment is formative or summative.

2 /	Regels voor het doorlopen van de toetscyclus (van ontwerp naar evaluatie en optimalisering)
	We aim for a high level of transparency about our assessment towards our students. All course outlines contain information about the forms of assessment, deadlines, calculation of marks, and repair trajectories. For courses that are assessed in an exam, students have access to a mock exam, which is also discussed in one of the teaching sessions. In many cases, the same goes for essay-based assessments.
	It is also transparent what criteria students are assessed on. Assessment criteria are available on the digital learning environment, Nestor. The two sections, Modern Literature and Older Language and Literature, have standard sets of descriptors that are used for essay marking.

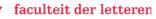




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3 /	Toetsdossier
	a. Het toetsdossier
	De eisen die aan het toetsdossier gesteld worden zijn neergelegd in §4 van het 'Protocol borging toetskwaliteit in modules' van de Examencommissie.
	Alle examinatoren van een opleiding zorgen ervoor dat de EC de volgende stukken in de vorm van een 'toetsdossier' ter beschikking staan:
	a. de studiehandleiding
	b. de cijferlijst, bevattende alle deelcijfers die bijdragen aan het eindcijfer
	c in het geval van een toets in engere zin: de toets zoals deze afgenomen is, incl. antwoordmodel/sleutel;
	- in het geval van werkstukken: de opdrachtformulering, informatie over de daarbij toegepaste beoordelingswijze (beoordelingscriteria en normering), voor zover niet beschikbaar in studiehandleiding, en de volledig ingevulde beoordelingsformulieren
	- in het geval van eindwerkstukken: de volledig ingevulde beoordelingsformulieren en de ingeleverde werkstukken (al dan niet voorzien van commentaar door de docent)
	d. de blauwdruk voor de toetsing, verslagen van intervisiebijeenkomsten, (zelf)evaluaties van het modules e.d. voor zover beschikbaar
	e. een door de examinator ingevuld evaluatieformulier met informatie over het verloop van de toetsing.
	<b>b.</b> Betrokken actoren
	Voor het vervullen van de taken rond het toetsdossier zijn de volgende actoren verantwoordelijk:
	Omtrent het toetsdossier zijn er vier actoren die verantwoordelijkheid dragen:
	- Examinatoren zijn verantwoordelijk voor het tijdig beschikbaar maken van een redelijkwijs zo volledig mogelijk toetsdossier.
	<ul> <li>Leerstoelhouders zijn verantwoordelijk voor het faciliteren van de bovengenoemde taak.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Het Clusterbestuur is verantwoordelijk voor het faciliteren van de</li> </ul>
	bovengenoemde taak.
	- De Examencommissie gebruikt het toetsdossier voor borging.

#### Programmering van de toetsing in de tijd 4 /





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Overzicht van de eindkwalificaties van de opleiding + matrix	Bijlage 1
Schematisch overzicht van de tijdvakken bestemd voor toetsing, de gehanteerde toetsvormen en evt. leerlijnen	Bijlage 2
Overzicht van de beoogde leeruitkomsten van de vakken en hun toetsvorm(en)	Bijlage 3
Aanvullende regelingen voor het afstudeerdossier	Bijlage 4

Leidend zijn de doelen van de opleiding, die neergelegd zijn in de eindkwalificaties van de opleiding (bijlage 1). De studieonderdelen vervullen gezamenlijk een rol in het toewerken naar die eindkwalificaties. Dit komt tot uiting in een coherent curriculum met een transparante structuur. De matrix eindkwalificaties (bijlage 1) benoemt de vakken waarin summatieve toetsing plaatsvindt en maakt een onderscheid tussen a) studieonderdelen die middels toetsing toeleiden naar het in de eindkwalificaties beschreven eindniveau en b) studieonderdelen waarin toetsing op eindniveau plaatsvindt (in dit laatste geval vallen de leeruitkomsten van het studieonderdeel dus samen met de eindkwalificaties). Dit onderscheid komt tot uitdrukking in de markering:

<u>"x</u>", d.w.z. met onderstreping, wordt gebruikt voor summatieve<sup>1</sup> toetsing op eindniveau;

"x" voor summatieve toetsing op een lager prestatieniveau;

"fx" voor formatieve<sup>2</sup> evaluatie op een lager prestatieniveau.

Parallel aan het curriculum biedt het toetsprogramma (bijlage 2) een evenwichtig gestructureerd overzicht van toetsvormen en toetsperiodes. Studieonderdelen binnen een leerlijn kunnen eventueel eenzelfde visuele markering in het overzicht krijgen. Om op programmaniveau inzichtelijk te krijgen of de gekozen toetsvormen aansluiten bij de leeruitkomsten van vakken en een evenwichtige mix vormen in de aanloop naar de eindkwalificaties, worden alle beoogde leeruitkomsten van de studieonderdelen aan de toetsvormen gerelateerd (bijlage 3). Aangezien voor onderdelen van het afstudeerdossier (bijv. de scriptie) specifieke

regelingen kunnen bestaan (zoals goedkeuring scriptievoorstel, omvang begeleiding, herkansing), zijn deze regelingen opgenomen in bijlage 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Formatief evalueren betreft het proces van zoeken, aggregeren en interpreteren van informatie die studenten en docenten vervolgens kunnen gebruiken om te bepalen waar studenten staan in hun leerproces, waar zij naartoe moeten werken en op welke manier dat het meest effectief is (vrij naar 'Toetsen in het hoger onderwijs' (2017)).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Summatief toetsen is het onderzoek dat erop gericht is te oordelen over de kennis en de vaardigheden van een student. Meestal gebeurt dit met een cijfer in combinatie met een vorm van onderbouwing van het cijfer (vrij naar 'Toetsen in het hoger onderwijs' (2017)).



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**Studiehandleiding** – uitwerking van OER en toetsplan op moduleniveau, in lijn met de informatie in Ocasys.

**Toetsplan** – bijlage bij de OER en daarmee in juridische zin bindend. **Toetsprogramma** - Schematisch overzicht van de tijdvakken bestemd voor toetsing, de gehanteerde toetsvormen en evt. leerlijnen (het ongewijzigde huidige "toetsplan")

Toetsprotocol – de uitwerking van OER deel A, art. 8.7.



## Bijlage 1. Eindkwalificaties van de opleiding + Matrix eindkwalificaties

#### Graduates of this specialization have:

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	Gene	ric Competences							
Knowledge and understanding	1.	Advanced knowledge and understanding of the							
Demonstrated knowledge and		cultural context in which literary texts were							
understanding that is founded upon and		composed.							
extends and/or enhances that typically	2.	Advanced knowledge and understanding of							
associated with the Bachelor's level, and that		literary, cultural and/or textual theories and							
provides a basis or opportunity for		methods.							
originality in developing and/or applying	3.	Advanced knowledge and understanding of texts							
ideas, often within a research context.		written in a variety of genres.							
Applying knowledge and	4.	The ability to generate new ideas.							
understanding	5.	The ability to work with unfamiliar material.							
The ability to apply their knowledge,	6.	The ability to search for, process and analyse							
understanding and problem-solving abilities		information from a variety of sources.							
in new or unfamiliar environments within	7.	The ability to think in an abstract and analytical							
broader (or multidisciplinary) contexts		manner, and to synthesize ideas.							
related to their field of study.									
Making judgements	8.	The ability to be critical and self-critical.							
The ability to integrate knowledge, handle	9.	The ability to identify, articulate and resolve							
complexity and formulate judgements with		problems.							
incomplete or limited information, including									
reflecting on social and ethical									
responsibilities linked to the application of									
their knowledge and judgements.									
Communication	10.	The ability to express themselves in a clear, well-							
The ability to communicate their		structured manner incorporating the opinions or							
conclusions, and the knowledge and		research of others.							
rationale underpinning these, to specialist	11.	The ability to communicate key information from							
and non-specialist audiences clearly and		their discipline in a manner appropriate to their							
unambiguously.		target audience.							
	12.	The ability to interact constructively with others,							
		respecting cultural differences.							
Learning skills	13.	The ability to learn and stay up to date with							
The learning skills to allow them to continue	_	learning.							
to study in a manner that may be largely self-	14.	The ability to work with a high degree of							
directed or autonomous.		autonomy.							
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#### In addition,

#### Graduates of English Literature and Culture have

- 15. Advanced knowledge and understanding of a range of English literary texts from different literary periods.
- 16. Knowledge and understanding of texts written in regional English, global English, or older forms of English (e.g. medieval English).
- 17. The ability to work with various types of English language media.
- 18. Knowledge of the interaction between cultural, economic or technological factors and literature in English.
- 19. The ability to express themselves in clear, well-structured English at level C2.

#### Graduates of Writing, Editing and Mediating have

- 19. The ability to express themselves in clear, well-structured English at level C2.
- 20. Knowledge and understanding of a range of theoretical and methodological debates related to the dissemination of texts (e.g. editing, electronic publication).
- 21. The ability to apply key methods and concepts relevant to advanced textual study.
- 22. The ability to examine and process English texts to ensure their appropriate dissemination (e.g. copy-editing) with due acknowledgement of cultural differences.
- 23. Knowledge of the interaction between cultural, economic or technological factors and textuality.

#### Graduates of European Literatures and Interculturality have

24. Advanced knowledge of the role of processes of intercultural theory, change and transfer.

25. Advanced knowledge of the cultures and histories of the European continent in general, and of at least one region in particular.

26. The ability to read, interpret and compare texts from different genres and in different styles in their chosen language of expertise.

27. The ability to reflect on research about processes of cultural change and cultural transfer between different languages, cultures and literatures and their interaction.

28. The ability to express themselves orally and in written form at the required level in a variety of registers (formal, informal, specialist) in their chosen language of study or in either Dutch or English.

Matrix of realized learning outcomes / course units in the Bachelor's degree programme in English Language and Culture 2020-21 Matrix of realized learning outcomes / course units

Code	Course unit title	Seme ster	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	1
LELM05	MA Research Seminar	1b	x	x	x	x			x			x	x	x	x		x	x			>
LELM05	Literature's Society		x		x		x		x	x	x	x					x			x	>
	MA Tutorials	1/2	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	x					>
EX999M20	MA Thesis in Eng. Literature and Culture	2	)	¢		x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x		x		x
LEX000M10	Master's Work Placement in English	1/2				x	x	x		x	x	x		x		x				x	
Track: W	riting, Editing and	Medi	atiı	ng																	
<b>Track: W</b>	<b>riting, Editing and</b> Course unit title	Medi Seme ster	atiı 1	<b>וק</b> 2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	19	20	21	22	2

LET011M10	WEM 2	1/2			x		x	x		x						x	x	x	x	x	
LEO015M10	WEM 3	1	x	x	x		x	x		x				x	x	x	x	x	x	х	
LEL031M10	WEM 4	2					x	х		x	х	x		x	x	x	x	x	х	х	
LEL072M05	WEM 5a: Towards the Digital Text, Part A: Book History	1	x	x		x			x	x			x	x			x	x			х
LEL073M05	WEM 5b: Towards the Digital Text, Part B: Digital Remediation and Publishing	1	x	x		x			x	x			x	x			x	x			x
LEX069M05	WEM 6a: Creative Writing, Part A: Practical Introduction to Poetic Form	1			x	x				x	x					×	x				
LEXOM05	WEM 6b: Creative Writing, Part B: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction	1		x	x		x			x	x					x	x		x		
	MA Thesis in Eng. Literature and Culture	2	ĸ	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x		x		x
LBX000M10	Master's Work Placement WEM	1/2				x	x	x		x	x	x		x		x					x

Track: Eu	ıropean Literatures	and	Int	erc	ult	ura	lity														
Code	Course unit title	Seme ster	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	24	25	26	27	28
LEU001M10	Theoretical approaches to European literature	1		x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x			x	x	x
LDX015M10	The Legacy of Modernism (German)	1	x	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x
LZX003M10	Swedish Crime Fiction and the Demise of the Welfare State	1	x	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x		x		x			x
LEU002M10	Imagining Freedom in Russian Literature	1	x	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x
LRI032M10	Italian Modernism in a European Perspective	1	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x
LRF039M10	The Child in French Youth Literature	1		x	x	x		x			x	x	x			x		x		x	x
LRS039M10	Literature and Crisis in the Hispanic World	1	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x
LHF022M10	Sociology of Frisian Literature	1	x	x		x		x	x	x	x	x								x	x

LDX003M10	Literary Critique on Europe after 1945 (German)	2	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x		x			х	x	x		x
LZX001M10	Humor and Satire in Swedish Literature and Culture	2	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x			x		x	x	x	x
LEU003M10	Rethinking Transition in (Post)Soviet Literature and Film	2	x	x		x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x
LRF043M10	French-Iranian Women's Writing	2	x	x		x		x	x	x		x	x	x		x		x			х
LRI033M10	Italy Today: New Forms of Italian Literature and Cinema	2	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		x
LRS040M10	Representations of Marginality in Spain	2	x	x			x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x		x	х	х	
LHF023M10	Frisian Literary History	2			x	x		x	x	x	x	x						x	x		x
LEU999M20	Master's Thesis Literary Studies	2	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		x	x	x	x

## Bijlage 2. Leeruitkomsten en toetsing daarvan in vakken

Module	Code	Learning outcomes
Master's Thesis WEM	LEX998M20	Upon successful completion of the course unit, a student is able to: 1. demonstrate an advanced understanding of the interaction of English texts and their contexts [1, 2, 5, 23]; 2. demonstrate an advanced knowledge of theories related to textual study or to textual editing [2, 21]; 3. present an independently devised and logically structured argument or a critical edition [4, 7]; 4. identify the strengths and weaknesses of their own work and use this knowledge to improve their final thesis [8]; 5. locate relevant and up-to-date sources of various kinds that support their conclusions [5, 6]; 6. express themselves clearly in an extended written work in English of C2 level which is suitable for an academic audience [10, 11, 19]; 7.

		devise a work based on independent research which can be carried out within a defined time limit [4, 9, 14].
WEM 1: Modern Literature and Mediation	LEL021M10	<ul> <li>Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to: 1. demonstrate knowledge and understanding of contemporary literary works in English, their social context, relevant literary and theoretical concepts, and aspects of the social mediation of literature [1, 2, 3, 23]; 2. select, interpret and critically assess data from a variety of academic and non-academic sources with a high degree of independence [6, 8, 13, 14];</li> <li>3. formulate questions and well-developed arguments on literary features, themes, and theoretical concerns related to contemporary fiction in English [7, 9, 10, 14]; 4. produce texts in a variety of genres appropriate to the mediation of English literature to specific audiences, displaying advanced writing skills [3, 10, 11, 19, 22]; and</li> <li>5. work constructively in a team, involving task and time</li> </ul>

		management, peer feedback, and reflection [learning outcomes 8, 12, 14].
WEM 2: Modern English Language	LET011M10	At the end of this course, students are aware of standards and levels of correctness in English. They are familiar with the basic tools available to an editor or writer. They are familiar with kinds of English and the differences involved, and they know their possibilities and limitations in working as a language corrector. The students should be well- equipped to work in translation agencies, publishing houses, etc.
WEM 3: From Manuscript to Printed Book	LEO015M10	<ol> <li>to read, or develop the ability to read, medieval and (early) modern hand-written texts; 2. to conduct a full bibliographical investigation for a particular text; 3. to transcribe such texts effectively, with the aim of compiling an edition; 4. to convert a transcription into an edition; 5. to produce all necessary parts of an edition; 6. to make available to a variety of target audiences text material which is difficult to access and to interpret, in an effective way; 7. to apply a theoretical basis for</li> </ol>

		producing different types of text editions.
WEM 6a: Creative Writing Part A: Practical Introduction to Poetic Form.	LEL069M05	Advanced knowledge and understanding of texts written in a variety of genres. The ability to generate new ideas. The ability to work with unfamiliar material. The ability to be critical and self-critical. The ability to identify, articulate and resolve problems. The ability to work with a high degree of autonomy. The ability to express themselves in clear, well-structured English at level C2.
WEM 6b: Creative Writing Part B: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction	LEL	Demonstrate advanced knowledge and understanding of contemporary creative nonfiction writing and its aesthetic and cultural preoccupations (3) 2. Produce creative nonfiction pieces in multiple forms and sub-genres (3, 19) 3. Apply previously unfamiliar techniques from "mentor texts" to their own creative nonfiction (5, 14, 21) 4. Critique and make judgments about their writing (8) 5. Identify, articulate, and resolve

		problems in their writing (9, 14) 6. Respond respectfully to a diversity of cultural backgrounds in commenting on other authors' writing (2, 5) 7. Use professional norms to produce submission-ready creative nonfiction (19) 8. Express themselves in clear, well- structured English at level C2 (19)
WEM 5a: Towards the Digital Text, Part B: Digital Remediation and Publishing	LEL072M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to: 1. interpret and critically assess recent research literature related to the history of books [2, 8, 18, 20]; 2. construct well-informed and logically structured arguments on interrelationships between authorial and reading practices, technology, censorship, copyright laws, book distribution, and textual production and interpretation [1, 2, 4, 7, 17, 18, 20, 23]; 3. communicate findings in a manner that is clear and accessible to their target audience [12, 19].
WEM 5b: Towards the Digital Text, Part A: Book History	LEL073M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to: 1. interpret and critically assess recent research literature related to digital textuality [2, 8, 18, 20]; 2. construct

		well-informed and logically structured arguments on effects of digital technology on archival texts, current literary and academic production, publishing, and reading practices [1, 2, 4, 7, 17, 18, 20, 23]; 3. communicate findings in a manner that is clear and accessible to their target audience [12, 19].
Master's Work Placement WEM	LBX000M10	<ul> <li>Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to:</li> <li>1. work independently in a professional context on the basis of succinct instructions;</li> <li>2. collaborate with others in a professional context;</li> <li>3. communicate professionally in an appropriate register in English or the language of the internship provider;</li> <li>4. reflect on their work and functioning, in relation to their degree programme.</li> </ul>
WEM 4: Translating and Editing	LEL031M10	1. deal with the theoretical and practical issues involved in editing and/or translation; 2. employ the basic tools employed by translators and/or editors; 3. demonstrate an

		understanding based on experience of the different stages involved in publishing; 4. be self-critical and constructively critical about others? work; 5. identify and resolve problems in collaboration with others with a high degree of autonomy present written material with an awareness of its target audience.
MA Research Seminar	LEL071M05	By the end of this course, students will have the ability to: 1. Develop their knowledge and understanding of a selection of theoretical approaches, literary theories and research methods [1, 2, 3, 15].
		<ol> <li>Generate new ideas about their chosen research topic,</li> <li>Identify and evaluate relevant upto-date sources and write a detailed MA thesis proposal [4, 15].</li> <li>Think in a critical and analytical manner about complex research questions and participate in</li> </ol>

		<ul> <li>discussions of research in progress [7].</li> <li>5. Communicate complex research questions in a clear and structured manner to a range of audiences [10, 11, 19].</li> <li>6. Participate in critical discussions surrounding authors and their works [13].</li> <li>7. Participate in group work on older forms of English in a constructive and respectful manner [12, 16]</li> </ul>
Literature's Society	LEL	<ul> <li>After successful completion of this module, students will be able to:</li> <li>1.synthesise accounts of the social role of literature in the light of their readings of literary texts;</li> <li>2. analyse primary texts written in a variety of genres from various periods of modern literature;</li> <li>3. formulate their own account of the relationship between literary texts and the presumptions about the social role of literature from which these texts emerged;</li> </ul>

		4. communicate in written English in an academic form and register appropriate to MA level.
Master's Work Placement English	LEX000M10	<ul> <li>Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to:</li> <li>1. work independently in a professional context on the basis of succinct instructions;</li> <li>2. collaborate with others in a professional context;</li> <li>3. communicate professionally in an appropriate register in English or the language of the internship provider;</li> <li>4. reflect on their work and functioning, in relation to their degree programme.</li> </ul>
Master's Thesis English	LEX999M20	Upon successful completion of the course unit, a student is able to:

		1. demonstrate an advanced understanding of English texts in their chosen areas [2, 15]; 2. present an independently devised and logically structured argument or a critical edition [4, 7]; 3. identify the strengths and weaknesses of their own work and use this knowledge to improve their final thesis [8]; 4. locate relevant and up-to-date sources of various kinds that support their conclusions [6, 13, 17]; 5. express themselves clearly in an extended written work in English of C2 level which is suitable for an academic audience [10, 11, 19]; 6. devise a work based on independent research which can be carried out within a defined time limit [4, 9, 14].
Travel Writing	LEL007M05	After successful completion of the course, students will be able to: - demonstrate a knowledge and understanding of Modernist contexts and theoretical considerations of travel in writing; -formulate pertinent questions after synthesising ideas and materials; -locate relevant, up- to-date sources and autonomously integrate new materials into discussions and writing; -synthesise ideas communicated through

		argumentation with consideration of a range of perspectives.
James Joyce's Ulysses	LEL048M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to: 1. demonstrate detailed knowledge and understanding of James Joyce's Ulysses, the cultural contexts from which it emerged, and some significant critical approaches to the text [1, 2, 3, 15, 16]; 2. select, interpret, and critically assess data from a variety of up-to-date sources with a high degree of independence [5, 6, 13, 14]; 3. formulate questions related to specific aspects of Joyce's work and construct well-informed and logically structured arguments about them [4, 7, 9, 14]; and 4. communicate findings in a manner that is clear and accessible to the target audience [10, 11, 19].
Mid-Century Modern	LEL050M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to do the following: ? identify the major concerns of the emergent field of mid-century literary studies and locate areas for further exploration; ? evaluate the influence that the mid- century historical and political context had on British literary style;

		? independently construct an argument about multiple texts.
Virginia Woolf: Beyond the Lighthouse	LEL054M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to do the following: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the development of Woolf's literary style across time; Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the historical and political context of Woolf's formal experimentation; Evaluate single author and modernist studies scholarship to identify how a wider reading of Woolf's work might enrich or challenge dominant critical understandings of her writing and her place within literary history; Independently construct an argument that accounts for multiple texts and situates them within a wider body of writing.
The World of Women in Early Medieval Lit	LEO031M05	critically analyse different medieval literary traditions in their respective cultural contexts; - compare the three socio-cultural traditions and place them in a broader Northwest European context; - assess the applicability of critical methodologies to the traditions; - conduct independent research on a topic

		related to the course theme and present that research.
Modes of Alterity in Old English Poetry	LEO034M05	demonstrate knowledge of two complex Old English texts in the original language; - analyse and contextualise these texts from a critical and theoretical perspective; - conduct independent research on a topic related to the course theme - present that research
World War II: The Other Modernist War	LEL051M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to do the following: ? Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the historical, political, and cultural context in which World War II-era writing was produced and consumed; ? Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the mid-century development and reception of modernist techniques; ? Clearly present and evaluate recent scholarship on late modernism and war writing; ? Independently construct an argument about multiple texts.
Wondrous Wisdom in Early English Poetry	LEO040M05	1. acquire knowledge and an overview of Old English Wisdom Poetry 2. are able to analyse and

		contextualise these texts independently, from a critical and theoretical perspective 3. are able to conduct independent research into these texts (13, 18) 4. are able to and present that research
The Value of Literature	LEL047M05	An ability to discuss attitudes towards literature and its criticism in the context of British literary history; - an ability to analyse the relation of literary criticism to creative writing; - an ability to articulate a reasoned opinion on the function of literary criticism in society, from the sixteenth to the twentieth centuries.
Popular Genres and Young Adult Fiction	LEL082M05	Studentswhosuccessfully complete this course1. will be able to demonstrate advancedknowledgeof contemporary young adult fiction (1, 3,3. will be able to analyse and contextualisethesetexts independently from a critical and theoretical perspective (2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 14)3. will be able to conduct independent research on these texts (4,13,14)4. will be able to present that

		research effectively in writing (9, 10, 11, 13, 19)
Telling Horror Stories: Intersectional Thinking and the Contemporary	LEL089M05	Students who successfully complete this course
Gothic		1. will be able to demonstrate advanced knowledge of contemporary hemispheric American and multiethnic US Gothic literature (1, 3, 15)
		2. will be able to analyse and contextualise these texts independently from a critical and theoretical perspective (2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 14)
		3. will be able to conduct independent research on these texts (4, 13, 14)
		4.will be able to present that research effectively in writing (9, 10, 11, 13, 19)
Otherness, History & Graphic Narrative	LEL088M05	Students who successfully complete this course
		1. will be able to demonstrate advanced knowledge of contemporary graphic narrative,

		<ul> <li>including YA texts and works "for adults" (1, 3, 15)</li> <li>2. will be able to analyse and contextualise these texts independently from a critical and theoretical perspective (2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 14)</li> <li>3. will be able to conduct independent research on these texts (4, 13, 14)</li> <li>4. will be able to present that research effectively in writing (9, 10, 11, 13, 19)</li> </ul>
Humour and Religion in Medieval Drama	LEO054M05	<ul> <li>acquire knowledge and an overview of medieval English drama (1, 3, 16)</li> <li>2. are able to analyse and contextualise these texts independently, from a critical and theoretical perspective (5, 6, 7)</li> <li>3. are able to conduct independent research into these texts (13, 18)</li> <li>4. are able to and present that research (8, 9, 13)</li> </ul>

Languages in Early Modern England	LEL084M05	<ul> <li>Advanced knowledge and understanding of texts written in a variety of genres from early modern England</li> <li>The ability to generate new ideas about language and its relationship to literature</li> <li>The ability to search for, process and analyse information from a variety of literary and linguistic early modern sources</li> <li>The ability to express ideas incorporating the research of others</li> </ul>
Transformative and Fan Fiction in Context	LEL086M05	Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to: 1.demonstrate detailed knowledge and understanding of some major genres and some examples of transformative and fanfiction, their sociological, legal, economic and political contexts, and some significant critical approaches to these phenomena; 2.select, interpret, and critically assess data from a variety of up-to-

		<ul> <li>date sources with a high degree of independence;</li> <li>3. formulate questions related to specific aspects of fanfiction and construct well-informed and logically structured arguments about them; and</li> <li>4. communicate findings in a manner that is clear and accessible to the target audience.</li> </ul>
Environmental Humanities: Methods and Debates	LEL090M05	<ul> <li>Upon successful completion of the course unit, students are able to do the following:</li> <li>Demonstrate advanced knowledge and understanding of the emergent field of the environmental humanities and locate areas for further exploration (programme-level learning outcomes 1,2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 13, 15);</li> <li>Clearly present and evaluate recent scholarship on the environmental humanities and environmental literature(programme-learning outcomes 5, 9, 11);</li> </ul>

		Independently construct an argument about multiple texts (programme- level learning outcomes 4, 6, 7, 10, 13, 14, 19).
Poetry After Chaucer	LEO055M05	<ul> <li>Demonstrate knowledge of major fifteenth-century poets and their relationship to Chaucer</li> <li>Better understand how literary history is created</li> <li>Conduct independent research into these texts and present that research</li> <li>Analyse and contextualise these texts independently from a critical and theoretical perspective</li> </ul>
Taboos in Medieval England and Ireland	LEO056M05	<ul> <li>critically analyse two different medieval literary traditions in their respective cultural contexts</li> <li>place these socio-cultural traditions in a broader Northwest European context</li> <li>assess the applicability of critical methodologies to the traditions</li> </ul>

		- conduct independent research on a topic related to the course theme
Children's Gothic	LEL078M05	1. will acquire knowledge of contemporary Gothic fiction for children and young adults (1, 3, 16)
		2. will be able to analyse and contextualise these texts independently from a critical and theoretical perspective (5, 6, 7)
		3. will be able to conduct independent research into these texts (13, 18)
		4. will be able to present that research effectively in writing (8, 9, 13)
Order and Conflict in Renaissance England	LEL080M05	On successful completion of the course unit students will be able to:
		•analyse the ways in which varieties of social conflict are represented in Renaissance England;
		•explain the complex interplay between Renaissance writing and its socio-cultural background;

		<ul> <li>synthesise the common strategies for constructing outgroups in literature;</li> <li>analyse the manner in which tensions between order and disorder function in Renaissance England;</li> <li>communicate in English in an academic register appropriate to MA study.</li> </ul>
Navigating the Cantos of Ezra Pound	LEL087M05	Module not offered this year.
'Anglo-Saxon England' in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries	LEO051M05	<ol> <li>acquire knowledge and an overview of the beginnings of Old English studies and antiquarianism (1, 3, 16)</li> <li>are able to analyse and contextualise relevant texts, books and manuscripts independently, from a critical and theoretical perspective (5, 6, 7)</li> <li>are able to conduct independent research into these texts, books and manuscripts (13, 18)</li> </ol>

		4. are able to and present that research $(8, 9, 13)$
The Poetry of T. S. Eliot; Poet and Playwright	LEL077M05	knowledge and understanding of the evolution of T.S. Eliot's aesthetics across literary genres;
		skills necessary to analyse writing in a variety of genres and forms, and make use of the latest research and/or archive material;
		ability to construct an argument that accounts for multiple texts and that situates them within a wider body of writing.
Tudor Books	LEL085M05	• Gain knowledge of the production of books in early modern England in manuscript and print
		• Advanced knowledge of the culture context of early modern literature and its reading practices
		• The ability to work with unfamiliar material
		• The ability to work with a high degree of autonomy

Theoretical approaches to European Literature	LEU001M10	Advanced knowledge and understanding of literary, cultural and / or textual theories and methods The ability to to analyse various literary and filmic texts The ability to critically analyse modern prose fiction and apply literary theory to modern prose fiction The ability to demonstrate these skills by means of oral presentations, participation in discussions and essays
The Legacy of Modernism (German)	LDX015M10	Advanced knowledge of Modernist literary contexts Advanced knowledge of literary, cultural and/or textual theories and methods connected to cross- references between literature, philosophy and science The ability for abstract and analytical thinking and the synthesis of ideas in the fields of epistemology and the history of ideas The ability to express themselves in a clear, well-structured manner incorporating the opinions or research of others The ability to work with a high degree of autonomy in Modernism- related research

		Advanced knowledge of the cultures and histories of the European continent in general, and of Germany and Austria in particular The ability to read, interpret and compare texts from different genres and in different styles in German The ability to express themselves orally and in written form in a variety of registers (formal, informal, specialist) in German.
Swedish Crime fiction and the demise of the welfare state	LZX003M10	Advanced knowledge of various texts of Swedish crime fiction and of relevant critical texts The ability to situate these texts within their historical and social contexts and to analyse them from a literary or cultural perspective
		The ability to conduct research independently on the basis of a critical examination of secondary sources
		The ability to present this research in written as well as oral form, expressing themselves in academic Swedish

		The ability to constructively communicate with each other about primary and secondary material.
Imagining Freedom in Russian Literature	LEU002M10	Advanced knowledge an insight into 19th- and 20th-century Russian literature and culture in a global comparative perspective The ability to analyse literature in a cultural-historical context and with adequate use of concepts in literary and cultural theory The ability to carry out original research on a chosen topic The ability to present research results to an audience of specialists or non-specialists.
Italian Modernism in a European Perspective	LRI032M10	Advanced knowledge and insight into Italian modernism within a European context Advanced knowledge and insight into literary and cultural theories and metohodologies, with particular regard to the analysis of modernist literature and culture. Advanced knowledge of the cultures and histories of the European continent in general, and of Italy in particular The ability to carry out original research on a chosen topic

		The ability to present research results (in Italian) to an audience of specialists or non-specialists The ability to read, interpret and compare texts from different genres and in different styles.
The child in French youth literature	LRF039M10	Advanced knowledge of various texts of French youth literature and of relevant critical texts.
		Clear understanding of sociocultural, literary and linguistic characteristics of the genre as well as insight into the interrelated problematics of translation.
		The ability to research specific questions in relation to the student's profile
		The ability to give oral and written presentations on the researched topics.
Literature and Crisis in the Hispanic World	LRS039M10	Advanced knowledge of the relationship between literature and sociocultural and political crises
		The ability to deliver oral and written presentations of academic level on these matters

		The ability to initiate a limited research project of their own.
Sociology of Frisian Literature	Sociology of Frisian Literature LHF022M10	Advanced knowledge of Frisian literary history 1600-present Advanced knowledge of the relation between literature and society, especially on the field of Frisian literature as a minority literature
		The ability to present research results on an academic level in oral and written from The ability to conduct research in comparative literary studies, mainly sociology of literature
Literary Critique on Europe since 1945 (German)	LDX003M10	Advanced knowledge of contemporary German language, culture and literatureThe ability to give an academic presentation The ability to understand and apply literary theories and methods relevant to modern German literature The ability to complete written and oral assignments in academic German.

Humor and satire in Swedish literature and culture	LZX001M10	Advanced knowledge of various satirical texts and other humorous genres written by Swedish authors The ability to situate these texts within their historical and social contexts and to analyse them from a literary or cultural perspective The ability to conduct research independently on the basis of a critical examination of secondary sources, and to present this research in written as well as oral form, expressing themselves in academic Swedish The ability to constructively communicate with each other about primary and secondary material.
Rethinking Transition in (Post)Soviet Literature and Film	LEU003M10	Advanced knowledge of and insight into contemporary Russophone literature and culture in a global comparative perspective The ability to analyse literature and film in a cultural-historical context and from various methodological perspectives, with adequate use of concepts in literary and cultural

		theory The ability to carry out original research on a chosen topic The ability to present research results to an audience of specialists or non-specialists.
French-Iranian Women's Writing	LRF043M10	Advanced knowledge and understanding of characteristics of contemporary French-Iranian literature written by female authors, from a transnational and gender perspective The ability to situate these texts within their historical and social contexts and to analyse them from a literary or cultural perspective The ability to conduct research independently on the basis of a critical examination of secondary sources, and to present this research in written as well as oral form, expressing themselves in academic French

		The ability to constructively communicate with each other about primary and secondary material.
Italy Today: New Forms of Italian Literature and Cinema	LRI033M10	Advanced knowledge of and insight into contemporary Italian literature and culture within a European context Advanced knowledge of and insight into literary and cultural theories and methodologies, with particular regard to the analysis of contemporary cultural productions Advanced knowledge of the cultures and histories of the European continent in general, and of Italy in particular The ability to carry out original research on a chosen topic The ability to present research results (in Italian) to an audience of specialists or non-specialists The ability to read, interpret and compare texts from different genres and in different styles.

Representations of Marginality in Spain	LRS040M10	Advanced knowledge of current or past debates and approaches in the field of the arts and culture studies Advanced knowledge of at least one theoretical and methodological approach The ability to give an analysis and interpretation of a work of art in the context of oeuvre, genre, period, and in the broader context of a culture, or be able to analyse aspects of art institutions, policy or management The ability to relate their own specialist knowledge of a particular art form (literature, film, drama, music, visual art or new digital art) to other disciplines such as philosophy, history or sociology The ability to relate the art form of which they acquired specialized
		history or sociology The ability to relate the art form of
		knowledge, to the broader context of cultural studies: have a knowledge
		of current or past discourse in the field of the arts and culture studies, or literature studies
		The ability to understand and evaluate intellectual arguments The ability to select, apply and,
		where necessary, adapt a relevant

		research method
		The ability to develop a vision of the
		role of the arts and culture in society
		The ability to make decisions in
		complex situations, thereby
		demonstrating sensitivity to context
		The ability to make use of academic
		research and to present the results
		in correct English, using various
		media, to an audience of specialists
		and non-specialists, in written and
		spoken form, audio-visually and
		digitally
		The ability to independently
		formulate a research proposal and
		conduct research.
Frisian literary history	LHF023M10	Advanced knowledge of Frisian
		literary history from 1600-2015 in
		particular and literary theory in
		general
		The ability to present research
		results on an academic level in oral
		and written form
		The ability to conduct research in
		(comparative) literary studies
		Understanding of literary
		representation of societal
		configurations and developments in

		minority literatures in general and Frisian literature in particular.
Master's Thesis Literary Studies	LEU999M20	Advancedknowledgeand understanding of the cultural context in which literary textswere composedAdvancedknowledgeand understanding of literary, cultural and/or textual theories and methodsAdvancedknowledgeand understanding of textsAdvancedknowledgeand understanding of texts written in a variety of genresAdvanced knowledge of the cultures and histories of the European continent in general, and of at least one region in particularThe ability to generate new ideasThe ability to search for, process and analyse information from a variety of sources

	The ability to be critical and self- critical
	The ability to identify, articulate and resolve problems
	The ability to express themselves in a clear, well-structured manner incorporating the opinions or research of others
	The ability to communicate key information from their discipline in a manner appropriate to their target audience
	The ability to learn and stay up to date with learning
	The ability to work with a high degree of autonomy
	The ability to read, interpret and compare texts from different genres and in different styles in their chosen language of expertise
	The capacity to reflect on research about processes of cultural change and cultural transfer between

	different languages, cultures and
	literatures and their interaction.

Module	Code	Assessment methods
Master's Thesis WEM	LEX998M20	thesis
Master's Work Placement WEM	LBX000M10	stageverslag
WEM 1: Modern Literature and Mediation	LEL021M10	portfolio / presentatie / schriftelijk opdracht(en) / werkstuk(ken)
WEM 2: Modern English Language	LET011M10	schriftelijk tentamen / werkstuk(ker
WEM 3: From Manuscript to Printed Book	LEO015M10	schriftelijk tentamen / schriftelijk opdracht(en)
WEM 6: Creative Writing Part A: Practical Introduction to Poetic Form.	LEL069M05	portfolio, creative Portfolio (50%) Critical Commentary (50%)

WEM 6: Creative Writing Part B: Introduction to Creative Nonfiction	LEL	portfolio of creative nonfiction pieces (60%), schriftelijke opdracht (10%), essay (30%)
WEM 5: Towards the Digital Text, Part A: Book History	LEL072M05	schriftelijke opdracht(en)
WEM 5: Towards the Digital Text, Part B: Digital Remediation and Publishing	LEL073M05	schriftelijke opdracht(en)
WEM 4: Translating and Editing	LEL031M10	portfolio
Master's Work Placement English	LEX000M10	stageverslag
MA Research Seminar	LEL071M05	verslag
Literature's Society	LEL	schriftelijke opdracht(en)
Master's Thesis English	LEX999M20	scriptie
Travel Writing	LEL007M05	essay
The Value of Literature	LEL047M05	
James Joyce's Ulysses	LEL048M05	schriftelijke opdracht(en)

Mid-Century Modern	LEL050M05	schriftelijke opdracht(en)
Virginia Woolf: Beyond the Lighthouse	LEL054M05	schriftelijke opdracht(en)
The World of Women in Early Medieval Lit	LEO031M05	essay
Modes of Alterity in Old English Poetry	LEO034M05	essay
World War II: The Other Modernist War	LEL051M05	essay / presentatie
Wondrous Wisdom in Early English Poetry	LEO040M05	essay
Humour and Religion in Medieval Drama	LEO054M05	essay
Popular Genres and Young Adult Fiction	LEL082M05	essay
Transformative and Fan Fiction in Context	LEL086M05	presentatie, schriftelijke opdracht(en)

Otherness, History & Graphic Narrative	LEL088M05	essay
Telling Horror Stories: Intersectional Thinking and the Contemporary Gothic	LEL089M05	essay
Poetry After Chaucer	LEO055M05	essay
Taboos in Medieval England and Ireland	LEO056M05	essay
Children's Gothic	LEL078M05	essay
Order and Conflict in Renaissance England	LEL080M05	essay
Navigating the Cantos of Ezra Pound	LEL087M05	Module will not be offered
'Anglo-Saxon England' in the Sixteenth and Seventeenth Centuries	LEO051M05	essay
The Poetry of T. S. Eliot; Poet and Playwright	LEL077M05	Opdrachten

Tudor Books	LEL085M05	essay
Environmental Humanities: Methods and Debates	LEL090M05	Essay
The Legacy of Modernism (German)	LDX015M10	Presentations, Essay
Literature and Crisis in the Hispanic World	LRS039M10	Presentations, Peer reviews, Essay
The Child in French Youth Literature	LRF039M10	Presentations, Peer reviews, Short written assignments, Essay
Imagining Freedom in Russian Literature	LEU002M10	Written assignments, presentations; essay drafts and peer-review, Essay
Italian Modernism in a European perspective	LRI032M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Sociology of Frisian Literature	LHF022M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Swedish crime fiction and the demise of the welfare state	LZX003M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Literary Critique on Europe since 1945 (German)	LDX003M10	Presentations, Essay

French-Iranian Women's Writing	LRF043M10	Critical summary, Analysis, Presentation, Essay
Italy Today: New Forms of Italian Literature and Cinema	LRI033M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Rethinking Transition in (Post)Soviet Literature and Film	LEU003M10	Short written assignments, Presentations, Essay drafts and Peer-review, Essay
Representation of Marginality in Spain	LRS040M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Frisian Literary History	LHF023M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Humor and satire in Swedish literature and culture	LZX001M10	Written assignments, Presentations, Essay
Master's Thesis Literary Studies	LEU999M20	Thesis

Bijlage 3. Schematische weergave toetsprogramma

## ) **Grading** European Literatures & Interculturality (LEU999M20)

## Procedure

A supervisor (who is the first reader) will allow a thesis to go to the designated second reader when it is complete and meets the minimum thesis requirements listed in the *Thesis Protocol* (e.g., format, length, abstract). The first and second readers independently fill out an MA Thesis Assessment Form (below) after which they discuss any discrepancies of opinion. They then agree on a final grade. The supervisor gives the student feedback.

In the rare cases where the two graders cannot agree a grade the Exam Board may nominate a third reader who should complete a rubric independently of the first readers. After this, a meeting of the three readers should determine the final result. In the event that any disagreement persists the grade should be determined by a simple majority (two out of the three readers). A student may not request a third reader. A third reader cannot be appointed after the first two readers have agreed on a grade.

Someone who submits a thesis for the first deadline which is judged to have failed may rewrite parts of it and resubmit it for the second deadline. The grading procedure outlined above is repeated. If a thesis submitted for the second deadline fails, the student has failed the course (regardless of whether the thesis was or was not handed in before).

The MA Thesis Assessment form is emailed by the supervisor to the Secretariat. The supervisor also sends the grade to the Bureau of Student Affairs (BSZ). In sending the grade to BSZ, the first supervisor certifies that this is the agreed grade of the two readers.

The assessment form and grade of a thesis that has finally failed are recorded in the same manner as a thesis that has passed with the exception that the grade 'insufficient' (rather than a number grade) is recorded.

A supervisor and second reader may decide to discuss the thesis's contents with a student before they finish their marking. This may be useful if there is any doubt that the thesis is independent or original work. Instances of plagiarism will be referred to the Exam Board.

### Grading

The two readers should grade the submitted thesis and not the thesis process, personal circumstances of the writer or any other factor invisible to the second reader or external readers (e.g., members of a *visitatie* committee).

Unless instructed otherwise by a supervisor, a student should not make changes to a thesis after it has been graded (e.g., before it is submitted to the library).

### **Assessment Form Master Thesis Literary Studies**

Date: Student: Student number: Study Programme: European Literatures and Interculturality Title thesis:

Course code:

Name first supervisor: Name second supervisor:

### **Result:** [Grade between 6.0 and 10, rounded at 1 digit after the decimal point)

	Grade first	Grade second
	supervisor	supervisor
	(between 5 and	(between 5 and
	10, rounded at 1	10, rounded at
	digit after the	one digit after
	decimal point)	the decimal
1. Contents (quality of the research) 60%		point)
a. Topic; presentation and motivation		
b. Research question/thesis statement		
c. Theoretical justification and framework (status questionis)		
d. Methodology; research skills		
e. Argumentation and analysis; appropriate academic register		
f. Originality and creativity; contribution to research field		
g. Critical reflection		
h. Level of difficulty/level of abstraction		
i. Conclusion and suggestions for further research		
j. Appropriate use of various sources		
Grade (total of all grades divided by the number of used criteria)		
Total (sum of grades first and second supervisor divided by two)	0,	0
Feedback on content:		

	Grade first	Grade second
	supervisor	supervisor
	(between 5 and	(between 5 and
	10, rounded at 1	10, rounded at 1
	digit after the	digit after the
2. Form (quality of the reporting) 20%	decimal point)	decimal point)
a. Structure of the argument, classification of chapters/paragraphs		
b. Annotation; source reference, footnotes, works cited list		
c. Language; use of language, clarity, diligence, style		
d. Lay-out (possibly images, figures)		
e. Formal requirements; length, title page, table of contents, etc.		
f. If applicable: proficiency target language		
Grade (total of all grades divided by the number of used criteria)		

Total (sum of grades first and second supervisor divided by two)	0,0
Feedback on form:	

	Grade first supervisor (between 5 and 10, rounded at 1 digit after the
3. Process (quality of realisation) 20%	decimal point)
a. Independence/active approach	
b. Planning	
c. Commitment	
Total (sum of grades first and second supervisor divided by two)	
Feedback on process:	

General evaluation first supervisor:

General evaluation second supervisor:

Signature first supervisor:

Signature first supervisor

Signature second supervisor

# MA THESIS GRADING English Literature & Culture (ELC) LEX999M20 Writing, Editing & Mediating (WEM) LEX998M20

#### Date of this document: 16 November 2022

#### **Assessment Procedure**

A first assessor (usually the supervisor) will allow a thesis to go to the designated second assessor when the student requests it, it is complete and it meets the minimum thesis requirements listed in the Thesis Handbook (e.g., format, length, abstract).

#### Rubrics

The first and second assessors independently fill out a thesis rubric, giving grades for the four assessment criteria (e.g., 'research'). Sufficient grades should be recorded in intervals of 0.5 (e.g., 6.0, 8.5). Insufficients do not require a number grade. A thesis that fails any of the criteria fails overall. The grades on rubrics should not be altered. Subsequent changes of mind are recorded in the first assessor's Grading Process note in the Thesis Report.

The average of four sufficient criteria grades is used to calculate the overall result of the thesis, even if this results in a holistic grade which the assessors believe to be wrong. Grading is on the standard 1–10 scale regardless of whether a thesis is submitted at the first or second submission dates. This final grade is rounded to one decimal place (e.g., 6.3).

Assessors agree final grades for each assessment criterion. They must discuss differences of 1.0 or more, or pass/fail differences in any of the grading of criteria and these should be explained in the Grading Process note. They may also discuss and record any other differences they wish. Rubrics and notes about how the assessors reconciled their differences of grade should not be given to the student.

Assessors may jointly decide to discuss a thesis's contents with a student before they finish marking. This may be useful if there is any doubt that the thesis is independent work. Instances of plagiarism are always referred to the Board of Examiners.

Before the final submission of a thesis to the library, a student may be required by the assessors to make minor changes to it. This should be noted in the Thesis Report (in a general way, and not page by page references). Apart from this, a student should not alter a thesis in any detail after it has been submitted for grading. It is important that this is understood or the written feedback might not match up with the thesis which is available in the library.

#### Third Assessors

In rare cases where the assessors cannot agree a grade the Board of Examiners nominates a third assessor who should complete a rubric independently of the first two. To request this, an assessor should contact the Board. After this, a meeting of the three assessors determines the result. In the unlikely event that disagreement persists, the grade will be determined by the Board of Examiners. While this process is going on, the clock is stopped on hand-in deadlines.

A student may not request a third assessor but they can appeal to the Board of Examiners in the usual manner.

#### **First Deadline**

The deadlines are published on Brightspace. Extensions (e.g., for illness) must be granted by the Board of Examiners and cannot be given by a supervisor or thesis co-ordinator. However, the thesis co-ordinator may move individual or group deadlines to address procedural problems (e.g., delays in allocating supervisors). A supervisor who is absent for more than a week can, where this has impacted the student's performance, extend deadlines proportionately, bearing in mind the need to fit in with the schedules of other assessors.

A student who submits a thesis which fails may rewrite any parts of it and resubmit it before the second deadline. Such students must be provided with general feedback on the strong and weak points of their work, but not an exact number grade. Feedback should not include an exhaustive list of the problems with the thesis as the student has to show independence in implementing it. A student who resubmits a thesis can be given any grade on the 1-10 scale (but cannot be awarded a *cum laude*).

If a thesis fails at its first submission no Thesis Report is prepared until after the second submission. A thesis that fails at the second submission requires a Thesis Report.

#### **Second Deadline**

The grading procedure outlined above is used for the second deadline where necessary. If a thesis fails at this deadline, the student has failed the course (regardless of whether the thesis was handed in before).

A student can be required to submit a revised thesis with tracked changes if any assessor wants one.

#### **Final Paperwork**

Once the grade has been determined, the first assessor prepares the Thesis Report (below) based on the input of all assessors. Where a thesis failed and was resubmitted, this should be explained in the Thesis Report.

One Thesis Report, along with the rubrics of the thesis's assessors, are emailed by the first assessor to the secretariat in a single file. They also send the result to the Bureau of Student Affairs (BSZ) as an individual mark expressed to one decimal place (e.g., 6.3). For the BSZ date, use the due date for the submission (and not, for example, the date of grading). By sending the paperwork to BSZ and to the secretariat, an assessor certifies that they have been agreed by all assessors.

The rubrics and final grade of a thesis that has failed are recorded in the same manner as a sufficient thesis, with the exception that the grade 'insufficient' (rather than a number grade) is recorded. The report should highlight enough of the principal weaknesses of a failed thesis to explain the grade but it need not be comprehensive.

#### Records Checklist (first assessor)

This is for the end of the thesis process for the thesis's final grade.

- 1. Bureau of Student Affairs
  - Individual online exam slip using the due date of the thesis.
- 2. Secretariat (in one file to seccet@rug.nl)
  - all assessors' Rubrics (two rubrics per assessor if a thesis is resubmitted);
  - agreed Thesis Report.
- 3. Mark the thesis 'completed' in the shared thesis spreadsheet (even if it has eventually failed).

#### Rubrics

Assessors grade the submitted thesis and not the thesis process, the personal circumstances of the student, or any other factor invisible to other assessors (e.g., a *visitatie*).

In the rubric, any one of the problems listed in the insufficient column is enough to warrant a fail in that category. In the other columns, the grades are given by characteristic features, some of which may not apply to a particular type of thesis, e.g., 'context' might not necessarily feature prominently in a thesis addressing formal aspects of a particular poem; some arguments might be better described in terms of their methodologies rather than critical approaches.

#### Knowledge and Understanding

Knowledge and understanding is always at 'advanced' level for MA theses (as required by the programme learning outcomes).

Critical approaches and methodology: how well the thesis demonstrates that the student understands the approach or methodology.

#### Argument and Analysis

Critical approaches and methodology: how well the thesis demonstrates that the student can employ an approach or methodology. Sometimes a student understands an approach but cannot successfully work with it.

#### Written Communication

Formatting: use of the relevant style manual. Field specific terminology: this is explained in the Thesis Handbook.

#### Skills

This is a pass/fail grade. It refers to a student's ability to follow the instructions in the Thesis Handbook and to meet the final deadlines.

#### **The Thesis Report**

The Thesis Report is a standard template and, depending on the type of thesis submitted (e.g., critical edition, empirical study), some of its sections may be more or less important. The first assessor should explain this in their report. Similarly, parts of the procedure (e.g., word length) may be different for different types of theses and this should be briefly noted in the General Comments section of the report (NB: A supervisor cannot arbitrarily dispense a student from following the Thesis Handbook).

The Thesis Report discusses the differences between assessors' grades. It is not intended for student feedback, although of course it should be the basis of the oral feedback to the student.

	MA THESIS RUBRIC: ENGLISH LITERATURE AND CULTURE/WRITING, EDITING AND MEDIATING							
Student:	Grading date: Assessor:						Grade:	
Thesis Title:								
Criteria	Insufficient	5.5	6	7	8	9	10	
1. Knowledge & Understanding Grade:	Many errors in under- standing of any of: • main primary material • a key context • principal critical approach or methodology	Advanced under- standing of two of: • a major component of the primary material • a key context • principal critical approach or methodology	Advanced under- standing of: • most primary material • a key context • principal critical approach or methodology	Advanced under- standing of: • all primary material • all key contexts • principal critical approaches and methodologies	Systematic under- standing of: • complex primary material • all contexts used • all critical approaches and methodologies employed	A highly detailed understanding of: • complex primary material • relationship between context and meaning • current critical approaches and methodologies	An understanding of texts, contexts, critical approaches and methodologies which is at the forefront of the thesis's subject.	
2. Argument & Analysis Grade:	Any of the following: • badly structured argument • badly used critical approaches • poor textual analysis • little independent argument • recurrent use of unnecessary summary • poor introduction or conclusion • unnecessary repetition	Suitable structure but unclear in places. Overall argument or methodology somewhat diffuse. Mainly competent use of critical approaches and textual analysis. Some independent argument.	Competently structured overall. Main argument or use of methodology clear. Competent use of critical approaches and textual analysis. Argument frequently independent.	Overall structure, introduction and conclusion clear. Logical arguments and/or methodology Effective use of critical approaches and textual analysis. Independent argume that explains its significance.	Highly effective use of critical approaches and textual analysis.	Cogent argument or methodology throughout. Excellent synthesis in conclusion. Creative use of critical approaches and textual analysis. Neutralises counter arguments. Independent argument throughout that explains its significance.	Elegant argument that makes novel connections. Economic structure. Imaginative use of critical approaches and textual analysis. Breaks free of received perspectives.	

	Insufficient	5.5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>3. Research</b> Grade:	Any of the following: • not enough sources • very little recent	A minimum number of adequate sources.	A minimum of suitably evaluated sources.	Good range of well- evaluated sources.	Extensive and well- evaluated sources.	Thorough selection of well-evaluated sources.	Generates research ideas suitable for peer- reviewed publication.
	research • fails to engage with existing research field • key sources	Little recent research.	Some recent research.	Uses many up-to- date sources.	Uses many up-to- date sources.	Includes main sources current in field.	Includes all main sources current in field.
	unsuitable	Minimally engages with existing research field.	Some engagement with existing research field.	Engages with existing research field.	Consistently engages with existing research field.	Creatively engages with existing research field.	Creatively engages with existing research field.
4. Written Communication Grade:	Any of the following: • many errors in English use • much poor academic formatting • poor awareness of field-specific terminology • frequent use of inappropriate style	Several errors in English use or academic formatting. Inappropriate field- specific terminology used several times. Style inappropriate in several places.	Some errors in English use or academic formatting. Inappropriate field- specific terminology occasionally used Simple but clear style.	Few errors in English use or academic formatting. Appropriate field- specific terminology throughout. Mostly in an academic register.	Very few errors in writing or academic formatting. Appropriate field- specific terminology throughout. In an academic register throughout.	Thorough proficiency in writing and academic formatting. Nuanced use of field- specific terminology throughout. Unforced academic register throughout.	Writing of the standard found in peer-reviewed publications in the field. Nuanced use of field- specific terminology throughout.
5. Skills	Fails to follow the Thesis Handbook.	Follows the thesis Handb	Follows the thesis Handbook. Final deadlines met.				
Notes							

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Student's Name	Stud ent No.	S	Date of report	Grade	
Title					
Assessor 1	Asses sor 2		1st/2nd hand-in	Track (ELC/WEM)	

1. KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING		Grade	
Primary texts or material			
Contexts (e.g., literary, cultural, linguistic)			
Critical approaches and/or methodology			
2. ARGUMENT AND ANALYSIS		Grade	
Cogency (incl. logic, structure, synthesis, introduction, conclusion)			
Independence/creativity			
Application of critical approaches and/or textual analysis			

3. RESEARCH	Grade			
Engagement with existing				
research field				
Evaluation and selection of				
primary and secondary sources				
4. COMMUNICATION	Grade			
Written English				
(incl. field-specific terminology)				
General presentation and use of				
academic conventions				
5. LEARNING SKILLS		Pass/Fail		
Deadlines met. Presented in accordance with the thesis requirements.				

A grade is required for each of the sections 1–5 above. If a subsection is of little importance due to the nature of the thesis, enter N/A in the relevant box.

#### **GRADING PROCESS NOTES**

The manner in which divergences (1.0+) in assessors' rubric grades were reconciled should be explained here.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

# Bijlage 4. Aanvullende regelingen voor het afstudeerdossier

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**Comments** (e.g., graders' differences, summary comments)