

# How to Major in Comparative Literature

## Getting Started

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1. Choose one of two tracks:
  - **Language and Culture**
  - **Disciplines in Dialogue**
2. Choose two focus field concentrations by fall of your junior year:
  - Students pursuing the **Language and Culture** track choose two linguistic traditions.
  - Students in the **Disciplines in Dialogue** track choose a linguistic tradition and a disciplinary focus.

## Choosing Your Track

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The **Language and Culture** track features comparative study across different linguistic traditions.

This track is recommended for students who want to study abroad, attend graduate school in comparative literature, or want to gain an in-depth understanding of linguistic cultures in addition to their own.

The **Disciplines in Dialogue** track requires less formal language study and allows students to combine the critical study of literature with work in another field. This emphasis offers a manageable path for students considering a double major in literature and another discipline. It is also well-suited to students who want to combine literary and cinema studies with creative writing, performance, visual arts, philosophy, history, or journalism.

### Language and Culture

- Core Requirements
- Primary Linguistics Field
- Secondary Linguistics Field
- Language Requirement (L&C track)

OR

### Disciplines in Dialogue

- Core Requirements
- Primary Linguistics Field
- Disciplinary Field
- Language Requirement (D&D track)

## COLT Major Requirements

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- Pass all courses with a grade of mid-C or better
- Beginning Winter 2020, online courses do count towards the major.
- Obtain approval from the Comparative Literature Director of Undergraduate Studies for any exceptions prior to the start of the course.

## Optional Internship

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Majors may receive 2 credits for internship experience (30 hours in ten weeks) and 2 credits for an academic wrap-around program administered by our faculty in which students conduct research and discuss readings in the fields in which they work, conduct field-related interviews, and write a reflection paper on their experience. The 4 internship credits may be substituted for a COLT Elective or a Focus Field course. Students wishing to pursue an internship need pre-approval from the Comparative Literature Director of Undergraduate Studies.

# Comparative Literature Major

## Focus Field Choices

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### Linguistic Traditions

- Arabic
- Chinese
- Classics
- English
- French
- German
- Greek
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Romance Languages
- Russian
- Scandinavian
- Spanish

### Disciplinary Focus Fields

- African Studies
- Anthropology
- Art
- Art History
- Asian Studies
- Black Studies
- Business
- Cinema Studies
- Computer and Information Science
- Comics and Cartoon Studies
- Creative Writing
- Dance
- Economics
- Environmental Studies
- Folklore
- Global Studies
- History
- Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies
- Journalism
- Judaic Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Linguistics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Planning, Public Policy, and Management
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religious Studies
- Sociology
- Theater Arts
- Women and Gender Studies

## Language Choices

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- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- German
- Greek
- Hebrew
- Italian
- Japanese
- Korean
- Latin
- Portuguese
- Russian
- Spanish

# COLT Major: Language & Culture Track

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UO Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Core Requirements: Comparative Literature Courses (COLT)

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
COLT Elective 1	COLT				
COLT Elective 2	COLT				
Approaches to Comp Lit or Cultural Studies COLT 301 or COLT 305	COLT				
Theories of Novel or Poetry COLT 302 or COLT 303	COLT				
400-Level Elective (Not COLT 403)	COLT				
Capstone Seminar*	COLT	415			

\* Students unable to schedule COLT 415 may petition to substitute another 400-level COLT course.

## Linguistic Fields

- Upper division courses in the Linguistic Fields must be on literature, film, or theory, except the third Primary Linguistic Field course may be on a non-literary topic relevant to the field, such as history or philosophy.
- “Bridge” courses and courses whose focus is primarily on language acquisition skills cannot be used.
- Refer to [lists of approved courses](#).
- English may be used as the Primary or Secondary Linguistic Field.

**Primary Linguistic Field:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
Upper Division Course 1					
Upper Division Course 2					
Upper Division Course 3					

**Secondary Linguistic Field:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
Upper Division Course 1					
Upper Division Course 2					
Upper Division Course 3					

**Language (not English):** \_\_\_\_\_

Language Requirement for **Language and Culture** track: (Satisfy **ONE** of the following)

- \_\_\_\_\_ I am a native speaker of the language.
- \_\_\_\_\_ One upper division literature/film/theory course listed for my primary or secondary linguistic field was taught in the language (not English). List Course: \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ I have completed three 300-level (or higher) courses taught in the same language (not English).

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
Language Course 1					
Language Course 2					
Language Course 3					

# COLT Major: Disciplines in Dialogue Track

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UO Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Core Requirements: Comparative Literature Courses (COLT)

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
COLT Elective 1	COLT				
COLT Elective 2	COLT				
Approaches to Comp Lit or Cultural Studies COLT 301 or COLT 305	COLT				
Theories of Novel or Poetry COLT 302 or COLT 303	COLT				
400-Level Elective (Not COLT 403)	COLT				
Capstone Seminar*	COLT	415			

\* Students unable to schedule COLT 415 may petition to substitute another 400-level COLT course.

## Primary Linguistic Field: \_\_\_\_\_

- Three upper division courses in the Primary Linguistic Field; at least two of these courses must be on literature, film, or theory. The third may be on a non-literary topic relevant to the field such as history or philosophy.
- “Bridge” courses and courses whose focus is primarily on language acquisition skills do not count toward the Primary Linguistic Field.
- **Refer to [list of approved courses](#).**
- English may be used as the Primary Linguistic Field.

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
Upper Division Course 1					
Upper Division Course 2					
Upper Division Course 3					

## Disciplinary Field: \_\_\_\_\_

- Three upper division courses in a related discipline
- Courses taken in the Disciplinary Field may be spread out across several subject codes with the approval of the Director of Undergraduate Studies.

	Subj.	No.	Term	Grade	Notes
Upper Division Course 1					
Upper Division Course 2					
Upper Division Course 3					

## Language : \_\_\_\_\_

- The UO Bachelors of Arts language requirement satisfies the language requirement for the COLT major **Disciplines in Dialogue** Track.

<https://registrar.uoregon.edu/current-students/ba-language-satisfying-courses>