

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

We offer, with the help of various part-time instructors, lectures and seminars on a broad range of subjects in the fields of English literature and linguistics. While we take care to teach the historical and cultural background so that students can fully appreciate literary works written in English, it has been the tradition of our department to lay stress on careful reading of the text itself. We, therefore, expect students to use dictionaries constantly.

Students are to write their graduation theses in English. They are encouraged to choose their own area of pursuit for themselves and may write their theses on any subject, from Shakespeare to Sherlock Holmes in the field of literature,

and from Old English to Present-day English (including World Englishes) in linguistics. This department and that of American Literature are closely connected, most of the courses being common to both departments which merge into one at the graduate school level.

