Study Plan for English Graduate Students
COMPOSITION/RHETORIC

30 credit hours plus **thesis option** (33 hours total)
-or-
33 credit hours plus **exam option** (36 hours total)

Name, Email Address(es), Phone, Mailing Address

12 CREDITS TOTAL = REQUIRED COURSES for COMPOSITION/RHETORIC concentration

- ☐ 3 credits: ENG 5000 Introduction to Graduate Methods and Issues in English Studies
- ☐ 3 credits: ENG 5007 Composition Theory and Pedagogy
- ☐ 3 credits: ENG 5011 Studies in Composition and Rhetoric (may be taken twice--see next line)
- ☐ 3 credits: ENG 5502 Mentored Composition Teaching -or- ENG 5011 (second, different course)

18 CREDITS TOTAL (21 CREDITS with exam) = 6 or 7 ELECTIVE COURSES

Elective 1:

Elective 2:

Elective 3:

Elective 4:

Elective 5:

Elective 6:

Elective 7 (with exam option):

3 CREDITS TOTAL = writing a master's THESIS or taking a master's EXAM?

- ☐ ENG 5950 Thesis Writing (3 credits) -or-
- ☐ ENG 5940 MA Exam Tutorial (3 credits)

Note these important Graduate School policies when you are registering for courses.

A maximum of 9 credit hours may be earned in a combination of these courses:

5500 Writing Center Practicum (1 credit hour)
5950 Thesis Writing
5990A or 5990B Independent Study
5997 Study Abroad

A maximum of 12 credit hours may be earned in courses numbered 4750-4999.

For other requirements, go here:
http://catalog.eiu.edu/content.php?catoid=33&navoid=1414#requ_for_the_mast_degr

Requirements for the Master's Degree
Masters' degrees include the Master of Arts, Master of Science, Professional Science Master's and Master of Business Administration degree. All masters' degrees must meet the requirements and restrictions outlined below and the requirements specified by the academic program in the "Academic Program Requirements" section of the catalog. Candidates hold final responsibility for knowing and completing these requirements.

Requirements
• Total Semester Hours: A minimum of 32 semester hours of study is required for all non-thesis options. A minimum of 30 semester hours of study is required for all thesis options or the recital option for candidates in the Master of Arts in music program. Candidates are advised to review the Academic Program Requirements section of the catalog for minimum hours required by academic programs. This requirement may not be waived or appealed.
• Residency Semester Hours: A minimum of 21 semester hours of the 32 hour non-thesis option is required in residence. A minimum of 19 semester hours of the 30 hour thesis option is required in residence. Residence is defined as credit for courses taught by Eastern Illinois University faculty at on-campus or off-campus sites. This requirement may not be waived or appealed.
• 5000 Level Semester Hours: A minimum of 20 semester hours of the 32 hour non-thesis option must be in courses numbered 5000 or higher. A minimum of 18 semester hours of the 30 hour thesis option must be in courses numbered 5000 or higher.

Restrictions
• Research, Internship and Special Course Restrictions: A minimum of 21 semesters hours of the 32 hour non-thesis option or the 30 hour thesis option must be completed in courses exclusive of independent study, research, thesis, internship, and special courses.
• 4750-4999 Hour Restrictions: A maximum of 12 semester hours of courses numbered 4750 to 4999 may be applied to degree programs.
• Research Hour Restrictions: A maximum of six semester hours of independent study may be applied to a degree. A maximum of six semester hours of research may be applied to a degree. A maximum of six semester hours of thesis may be applied to a degree. A maximum of nine semester hours in a combination of independent study, research, or thesis may be applied to a degree.
• Provisional and Non-degree Hour Restrictions: A maximum of 12 semester hours earned as a provisional or non-degree student may be applied to a degree. There is no guarantee that any credit earned as a provisional or non-degree student may later apply to a degree.