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**Importance of an early start:**

This major is not highly sequential or course intensive. Although it is advisable to begin taking courses toward the major in the first year, it is not required.

**Qualification requirements and/or prerequisites for the major:**

- Students must complete Literature 1 or its equivalent prior to declaration.
- Satisfaction of the C1 and C2 general education requirements are required prior to enrolling in Literature 1. For this reason, students who plan to pursue this major should complete the C2 requirement (College Core 80B OR Writing 2) as soon as possible.

**Skills important for success in this major:**

Critical reading skills, critical thinking skills, and analytical writing abilities.

**Other information:**

One year (three quarters or equivalent) of college level study of a non-English language is required for the major. It is important for students to begin taking language courses in the first or second year. Please note that for some languages, level 1 is only offered in the fall terms.

**Frosh who intend to pursue this major should do the following things prior to the beginning of fall term...**

- Students with college-level transferable courses that may apply to the requirements of this major should submit an unofficial transcript to the department before July 1, in addition to providing the official transcript to the UCSC Admissions Office.
- If you are considering beginning language courses in your first year and you have already studied a language, review the information about language placement: [http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/index.html](http://language.ucsc.edu/placement/index.html).

**Sample first year plan:**

- **Fall:** Any Literature 61 or Literature 80 course and/or Language course level 1
- **Winter:** WRIT 2: *Rhetoric and Inquiry* (if C2 general education requirement is not yet satisfied) Language course level 2
- **Spring:** LIT 1: *Literary Interpretation* Language course level 3

**Links to More Information:**

- [http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/](http://admissions.ucsc.edu/academics/majors/) (general info)
- [http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/](http://registrar.ucsc.edu/catalog/programs-courses/) (major requirements, course descriptions, etc.)
- [http://literature.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/literature-major/](http://literature.ucsc.edu/undergraduate/literature-major/) (program website)

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