## Major: LITERATURE

### 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 C general education requirement is required prior to enrolling in Literature 1. For this reason, students who plan to pursue this major should complete the C requirement (Writing 2) as soon as possible.

### 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.

### ...and should take these courses their first term:

- One Literature 61-series OR 80-series course and/or Language course at appropriate level (if available)

### 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

### 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 quarter.

### Links to More Information:

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

### Questions? Contact an Adviser!

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Students are admitted to UCSC with a "proposed major" in most cases, and later petition to officially declare the major. Admission to UCSC does not guarantee acceptance into a particular major. Students must be declared in a major by the end of the second year (or equivalent), so learning about and preparing for a major is a primary goal for first-year students.