

Literatures of Modernity

MA

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Located in Toronto's vibrant core, this one-year English MA affords students diverse learning opportunities. Innovative courses investigate modernity in literature from cultural, historical, and global settings. Students can pursue a major research paper, work as a teaching or research assistant, and complete a placement at a literary or cultural institution. Graduates have completed PhD studies worldwide, and work in fields such as writing, publishing, and teaching.

Research Areas

- Literatures and Cultures from the 16th Century to the Present
- Critical Theory and Genre Studies
- Creative Writing, Rhetoric, and Poetics
- Digital Humanities, Technology, and Urban Studies
- Film, Visual Culture, and Popular Culture

Sample Courses

- Diasporic Modernities
- Digital Publishing
- Genders, Sexualities, and Humans
- Modernism and Auto/Biography
- Modernity and the Visual: Image and Text
- Rise of Children's Literature
- Unreal Cities

Admissions Information

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- Completion of a 4-year bachelor's degree in English or equivalent program
- Minimum GPA or equivalent of 3.00/4.33 (B) in the last two years of study
- Two letters of recommendation
- Statement of interest
- 10- to 15-page sample of work

Applicants may be required to provide certification of English language proficiency. For more information, visit ryerson.ca/graduate/futurestudents/admissions/english-language.html.

Resources

- Centre for Digital Humanities
- Children's Literature Archive
- Modern Literature and Culture Research Centre
- *White Wall Review* Creative Writing Journal and Reading Series

At a Glance

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full-time faculty

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scholarly research projects in two major research centres

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Canada Research Chair in Modern Literature and Culture

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ongoing series of research lectures and readings



“Coming from the U.K., I’ve loved studying literature and different media in the heart of Toronto’s dynamic creative and cultural scene. We’re a small, dedicated group of students, and I’ve made great friendships and had incredible support from teachers who have pushed me to grow as a researcher, and to apply successfully for PhD study.”

– Rebecca Thursten, MA student

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