

# PH385-30 Philosophy and Literature Dissertation

**23/24**

**Department**

Philosophy

**Level**

Undergraduate Level 3

**Module leader**

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**Credit value**

30

**Module duration**

30 weeks

**Assessment**

100% coursework

**Study location**

University of Warwick main campus, Coventry

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## Description

### Introductory description

The Philosophy and Literature dissertation offers a structured opportunity for independent learning on a topic of interdisciplinary relevance. It aims to encourage students to bridge the two disciplines. It is a particularly useful choice for students thinking of going on to graduate work, but it is also relevant for career destinations requiring skills in gathering and synthesising material.

### Module aims

The overall aim is to write a 10,000-word dissertation on an interdisciplinary topic agreed between students and supervisors. The dissertation topic has to span both disciplines. Students wishing to focus predominantly on either Philosophy or Literature will be advised to undertake a dissertation in either Philosophy or ECLS.

### Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Students may choose their own subject.

## Learning outcomes

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- Design and carry out a project involving research or a critical review in a chosen field at the interfaces of philosophy and literature.
- Develop a deep knowledge of the chosen research topic.
- Develop written communication skills.
- Develop time-management skills in the establishment of a research and writing plan.
- Develop research skills.
- Develop IT skills in presenting the dissertation and using on-line resources while researching the topic.

## Research element

Students will be required to complete their own research on a subject of their choice.

## Interdisciplinary

The student's subject must combine the study of Philosophy and Literature.

## Subject specific skills

Researching and writing an original essay on an interdisciplinary topic

## Transferable skills

Independent research and writing

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## Study

### Study time

Type	Required
Project supervision	5 sessions of 1 hour (2%)
Private study	295 hours (98%)
Total	300 hours

### Private study description

Independent research and writing

## Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

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## Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

### Assessment group A1

	Weighting	Study time
Dissertation	100%	

### Feedback on assessment

Regular supervision meetings to gain feedback on progress.

Written feedback on the final dissertation, explaining the mark that was given, will be provided through tabula.

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## Availability

## Courses

This module is Option list B for:

- Year 2 of UHIA-V1V5 Undergraduate History and Philosophy
- Year 3 of UPHA-VQ72 Undergraduate Philosophy and Literature
- Year 4 of UPHA-VQ73 Undergraduate Philosophy and Literature with Intercalated Year