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## About your course

### Courses covered

Code	Title	UCAS Code
CTLIT	BA (Hons) English Literature (Revised 2024)	Q350
CTLITCW	BA (Hons) English Literature and Creative Writing (Revised 2024)	Q3W1
CTLITJ	BA (Hons) English Literature and Journalism (Revised 2024)	Q3P9
CTLITM	BA (Hons) English Literature and Media (Revised 2024)	Q3P7

You can find full details of your course in the ***Programme Specification***.

### Important points

- As a student on the English Literature Programme you may study English Literature as a single honours subject from your first year onwards.
- You may also study a number of other subjects in combination with English Literature. The following subjects can be studied as a Joint or Minor with English Literature:
  - Creative Writing
  - Journalism
  - Media

**You can also study English Literature as a major, with a minor in English Language, Film, History, Philosophy.**

For minors in English Language or Philosophy, please refer to the English Language programme specification or Philosophy programme specification which can be found on the relevant webpage on the website [www.herts.ac.uk](http://www.herts.ac.uk).

- Students have the option of studying other subjects from within the School of Humanities, in place of some of their optional English Literature modules during their first two years.

### • Mandatory Attendance Requirement

You are expected to attend all of your learning and teaching sessions, unless there is a good reason for you not to do so (for example because of a disability). To find out more about your

attendance requirements, including the consequences of not meeting them, please refer to the Assessment Regulations section of your Programme Specification. Any regular attendance modification will only be made in liaison with Student Wellbeing with appropriate supporting medical evidence.

- **Placement Year/Year Abroad**

You can choose to take a Year Abroad or Placement Year before you start your final year, subject to meeting academic requirements and confirmation of a suitable institution or employer. Please see the Programme Specifications for more details.

The University will not charge you tuition fees during your Placement Year, but you may incur additional costs, including your travel and accommodation, depending on where your placement is located.

- **Terms and Conditions**

The English Literature Programme is designed to offer maximum flexibility, but timetabling constraints may mean that some combinations of modules may be unavailable. Where a clash of modules occurs a student will be asked to choose a different module. Where a module i.e. a self-contained taught unit is under-subscribed, the University reserves the right not to run that particular module and to place students on their “reserve” choice.

Some modules may have minimum entry requirements, such as achieving a particular grade or taking enough modules in the subject to qualify for a final year dissertation.

## **Academic Year**

### **Academic Year 2024 – 2025**

The University's academic year is made up of 3 Semesters (A, B and C). Semester A and B are made up of teaching weeks followed by exams, where applicable (the re-sit period falls within Semester C). Semester C is normally used for final dissertations and projects.

- *Semester A runs from Monday 23 September 2024 to Friday 17 January 2025*
- *Semester B runs from Monday 20 January 2025 to Friday 9 May 2025*
- *Semester C runs from Monday 12 May 2025 to Friday 5 September 2025*

## **Expected workload**

In the UK, a full time student is expected to spend 1200 hours on their studies each year. Please find below an estimate of how your time will be spent on this course during each year of study.

	<b>Lectures, seminars, tutorials</b>	<b>Independent study</b>	<b>Placement</b>
Year 1	17%	83%	0%
Year 2	15%	83%	2%*
Year 3	13%	86%	1%*

\*There are optional work placement modules available for students to undertake at Level 5 or 6 (not both)

## Method of assessment

The major method of assessment in the English Literature Programme is coursework. Some subjects, such as Creative Writing, are assessed exclusively by coursework. However, most subjects include an element of examination within their yearly framework depending on the exact combination followed. Some modules also include 'practical' coursework, which might include individual or group presentations. All language modules include regular in-class tests.

Here is an estimated average of how subjects on the programme are assessed:

	Written Exam	Coursework	Practical
Year 1	0%	100%	0%
Year 2	0%	96%	4%
Year 3	0%	98%	2%

## Additional expenses

Undergraduate study requires extensive reading and access to reference works. Recommended texts are available in the Library either as ebooks or printed material. Availability of printed material may be limited, so you may wish to purchase your own copies. You may be able to purchase second-hand copies of some texts.

The average spend for recommended texts is between £75 and £150 per year, depending on the subject or subjects taken. Students on work experience modules may need to pay commuting costs.

Description	Year	Mandatory/ Optional	Estimated cost
Purchase of e-books or hard copies of texts	All levels	Optional	£120