

**LITERATURE OPTION Senior Portfolio: Table of Contents**

Required of all students who choose the **literature option** of the English Major at UCCS

- Essays must be from literature courses taken at UCCS.
- Essays must be clean copies (without professors’ markings).
- You must submit a minimum of two separate essays.
- The total number of pages submitted must be 15 pages or more.
- Any single essay may address more than one of the objectives listed below.

**Due:** No later than noon on Friday during the last week of classes of the semester in which you are graduating. Early submissions welcome. Late submissions will not be accepted.

**Required:** a Senior Portfolio is required to graduate with an English degree in the literature option.

1. Essays that exhibit the ability to interpret a range of literary texts representing various genres. Essays’ Titles:
2. Essays that exhibit the ability to interpret a range of literary texts representing historical contexts. Essays’ Titles:
3. Essays that exhibit the ability to interpret a range of literary texts representing diversity. Essays’ Titles:
4. Essays that demonstrate the ability to analyze literary texts through the skill of close reading. Essays’ Titles:
5. Essays that demonstrate the ability to analyze literary texts through the context of literary history. Essays’ Titles:
6. Essays that demonstrate the ability to analyze literary texts through the lenses of literary criticism and theory. Essays’ Titles:
7. Cogent, clear, and thoughtful essays that best demonstrate the student’s control over grammar and mechanics. Essays’ Titles:
8. Essays that demonstrate the student’s ability to use electronic and traditional methods of research effectively. Essays’ Titles:

I have submitted essays I have written in my UCCS literature courses that best reflect the learning outcomes described above.

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Student Signature

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Date

I confirm that the student above has completed the Senior Portfolio requirement as described above.

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Advisor’s Signature

**Return signed and completed portfolios to the English Department Office, Columbine 1045, no later than Noon on Friday of the last week of classes during your last semester at UCCS.**