Composition & Rhetoric, M.A.
The master's degree in Composition and Rhetoric provides focused study in composition pedagogy, the history of rhetoric, and composition and rhetorical theory and prepares students for post-secondary teaching and doctoral-level research in these fields.

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Admission Requirements
Submit the following items to:
Jackson College of Graduate Studies
100 N. University Drive, NUC 404
Edmond, OK 73034
• Online application for admission (www.uco.edu/graduate/).
• Official copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts from each institution attended with all degrees posted. All transcripts must be from accredited institutions.
• Transcripts must show:
  ◦ A minimum 3.0 undergraduate GPA (overall) or 3.0 undergraduate GPA (last 60 hours completed); and 18 hours of English (3000- or above) with a 3.0 GPA.
  ◦ Students may gain conditional admission by achieving a score of 150 (verbal) and 4.5 (analytical writing) on the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
• Students with a native language other than English must submit evidence of English language proficiency. See Admission to Graduate Studies - English Language Proficiency (p.18).
*Students falling below these standards may qualify for conditional admission. See Admissions to Graduate Studies (p.17).

Other Requirements
• Plan of Study. Each student must file a plan of study with his/her graduate program advisor and the Jackson College of Graduate Studies (JCGS) by the end of the first semester of graduate work. The plan must be signed and dated by the graduate program advisor before it can be considered official.
• Academic Standards. Meet the following course work standards:
  ◦ Overall GPA of 3.00 or higher.
  ◦ No more than six hours of “C”.
  ◦ No more than six advisor-approved hours from traditional correspondence courses.
  ◦ At least 21 of the 33 total hours must be in Graduate English courses.
• Language Requirement. Demonstrate reading knowledge of one foreign language in one of the following ways:
  ◦ Pass a foreign language reading examination administered by the Department of Modern Languages, Literatures, and Cultural Studies.
  ◦ Earn a “C” or better in a minimum of six credit hours in a single foreign language at the University of Central Oklahoma. These hours will not count toward the M.A. degree.

Graduation Requirements
Theory and Research Core ........................................... 9 Hours
Course Prefix Course No. Course Title
ENG 5013 Approaches to Graduate Studies
ENG 5643 Theories and Methods of Cultural Study
ENG 5743 Theoretical Approaches to Literature

Required Courses ......................................................... 12 Hours
Course Prefix Course No. Course Title
ENG 5553 History of Rhetoric to 1700
ENG 5653 History of Rhetoric Since 1700
ENG 5723 Composition Pedagogies
ENG 5783 Composition Theory and Research

Approved Electives .................................................... 9 Hours
Course Prefix Course No. Course Title
ENG 5023 Technical Writing
ENG 5143 Blogs: New Independent Media
ENG 5283 English Grammar and Usage
ENG 5303 Technical Editing
ENG 5343 Linguistics
ENG 5413 TESL Grammar
ENG 5473 Advanced Composition
ENG 5493 Document Design
ENG 5533 Teaching Methods for Teaching Asisstants
ENG 5910 Seminar / Special Topics

Capstone Experience .................................................... 3 Hours
Course Prefix Course No. Course Title
ENG 5793 Graduate Studies Portfolio, OR
ENG 5990 Thesis

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED ........................................ 33 HOURS