CSULB College of Liberal Arts Advising Center

2026 - 2027 Bachelor of Arts in Comparative World Literature
Emphasis in Language and Literature
42 Units

Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Degree Requirements (MSDR) by 60 units:

- Minimum 2.0 overall GPA
- Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations

	Courses	Prerequisites
CWL 100/200-Level Courses - Complete **18 UNITS** from the following courses (18 units total):		
	CWL 100: Introduction to World Literature (3)	
	CWL 101: Introduction to Comparative World Literature (3)	
	CWL 104: Literature and Culture of the Middle East (3)	
	CWL 115: Intro to Health Humanities (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
	CWL 124: Introduction to World Theatre and Drama (3)	
	CWL 132: World Mythology (3)	
	CWL 161: Reading the World (3)	
	CWL 205: Digital Narrative and Culture (3)	
	CWL 206: Science Fiction, Fantasy, and Horror (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
	CWL 210: Erotica, Love, Romance: Literary and Cultural Representations (3)	
	CWL 213: Visual Studies: Comics and Graphic Narratives (3)	
	CWL 215: From Cradle to Crypt: Representations of Lifespan (3)	
	CWL 220: The Imagination at Play (3)	
	CWL 225: Short Stories of the World (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation
	CWL 230A: Heroes and Rebels: World Literature and Its Contexts from the Beginnings through the 1600s (3)	
	CWL 230B: Heroes and Rebels: World Literature and Its Contexts from the 1700s to the Present (3)	
	CWL 265: Intro to Literary Theory (3)	Corequisite: One GE Foundation

Complete **ONE** of the following courses (3 units total):		
	CWL 361: Global Trends in Critical Theory (3)	
	CWL 365: Cultural Studies: Histories, Theories, and Issues (3)	
CWL/CLSC 300-Level or CWL 400-Level Courses - Complete **12 UNITS** from the following courses (12 units total):		
	CLSC/HIST 310: Greek World (3)	
	CLSC/HIST 312: Roman World (3)	
	CWL 300: Representing the World: Literature and Culture in Contact and Conflict (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CWL 305: Science Fiction and Global Technologies (3)	
	CWL/ENGL 314: The World Before 1492: Race, Gender, and Identity in the "Middle Ages" (3)	
	CWL 315: Literature and Medicine (3)	
	CWL 320: Comic Spirit (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CWL 344: Literature of the Holocaust (3)	Upper Division Standing
	CWL 349: Selected Topics - Literary Movements (3)	
	CWL 350: Global Literature in American Culture (3)	Upper Division Standing
	CWL/CLSC 366: Classical Stories, Modern Voices (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CWL 402: Selected Topics - Middle Eastern Literature and Culture (3)	

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	CWL 403: Selected Topics - Asian Literature (3)	
	CWL 405: Global Fantasy (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CWL 406: Selected Topics - East European Literature and Culture (3)	
	CWL 410: Literature and Music (3)	
	CWL 412: Art and Literature (3)	
	CWL 415: Ethnic Literature and Culture in America (3)	
	CWL 420: Selected Topics - Comic Spirit (3)	
	CWL/ITAL 430: Dante (3)	Upper Division Standing
	CWL 440: Selected Topics - Latin American Literary Studies (3)	
	CWL 445: Selected Topics - American Folklore Studies (3)	
	CWL 448: Selected Topics - Comparative Studies (3)	
	CWL 449: Selected Topics - Major Continental Writers (3)	
	CWL 451: Film and Novel in Society (3)	GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing
	CWL 452: Selected Topics - Mythology (3)	
	CWL 453: Fairy Tales (3)	
Complete the following seminar course (3 units total):		
	CWL 480: Undergraduate Research Seminar (3)	
Foreign Language Requirement - Complete **6 UNITS** of upper division foreign language courses, including at least one literature course (6 units total):		
	Course 1:	
	Course 2:	

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- **See online Catalog for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.**
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/student-records/general-education-requirements.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. **Double counting is not allowed within the major.**
- Courses which fulfill the GE 3B (formerly C2) designation may be substituted for CWL lower division courses. For other possible lower division substitutions, see department advisor.

Comparative World Literature & Classics csulb.edu/college-of-liberal-arts/comparative-world-literature-and-classics

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Checklists are available on the ATLAS website