**Senior Capstones for the BA in English**

**Literature Concentration**

**2017-2018 Catalog and Before**

**Interdisciplinary** **Studies Option, IDST 4999**: Completion of any IDST 4999 Senior Capstone course.

**Internship Option, ENGL 4960:** Completion of a 3-hour internship in a placement appropriate personally and professionally for the student's interests, as determined in consultation with the student's selected supervising faculty member and the Department Chair. To receive Capstone credit for an internship, students must register for 3 hours of ENGL 4960 simultaneously with undertaking the internship. ENGL 4960 will be supervised by a faculty member with the appropriate expertise in the area of the internship, selected by the student, with input from other appropriate faculty members as needed. In addition to the actual work of the internship, students will be required to compile a portfolio, essay, or other appropriate documentation reflecting their learning and experiences in their placement, which will be evaluated by the supervising faculty member. In addition, the field supervisor must provide an evaluation of the student's work in the internship. All material, including the field supervisor's evaluation, must be submitted to the supervising faculty member in order to pass ENGL 4960 and receive Capstone credit. Note: Beginning Fall 2018, ENGL 4960 will be offered in a regularly scheduled class taught by the literature program’s internship coordinator; ENGL 4960 will be offered in the fall semester only. **This capstone option requires permission**. Complete the form found on the other side of this page, collect signatures in the order they are listed, and take this form to your registration conference with your professional advisor.

**Thesis Option, ENGL 4970:** Completion of a Senior Research/Thesis Experience scholarly project (ENGL 4970). Supervised by a faculty member with whom the student will work on the thesis project, students must either 1) write a 40-page essay with a substantial bibliography, or 2) revise and substantially extend a research essay from a previous upper-level English course into a 40-page essay with a substantial bibliography. Students pursuing the Thesis option will be required to defend their thesis in a presentation during which they will discuss their work and answer questions. Note: Beginning Fall 2018, ENGL 4970 will be offered in a regularly scheduled class taught by the literature program’s thesis advisor; ENGL 4970 will be offered in the fall semester only. **This capstone option requires permission**. Complete the form found on the other side of this page, collect signatures in the order they are listed, and take this form to your registration conference with your professional advisor.

**Study** **Abroad Option, ENGL 4980**: Study abroad undertaken after completion of at least 72 hours of coursework, met through ENGL 4980. Students who seek Capstone credit for study abroad must register for a 3-hour section of ENGL 4980 in the semester subsequent to their participation in any study abroad program approved by the Department Chair (full-year, semester, or summer). While abroad, students will write a journal or a blog in order to have a timely record of their impressions and experiences. Following their return to Georgia College, they will write a reflective essay of no fewer than 3,000 words, exploring what they have learned from their travel. The instructor of record for ENGL 4980 will award a letter grade for this essay, and it will be the grade for the course. Failure to complete ENGL 4980 by the end of the semester following study abroad will result in a failing grade in the course, and Capstone credit will not be granted. Note: **This capstone option requires permission**. Complete the form found on the other side of this page, collect signatures in the order they are listed, and take this form to your registration conference with your professional advisor.

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**Permission Form**

* This form is to be completed by rising seniors who select a capstone experience other than IDST 4999.
* Students who opt for the Study Abroad Capstone should ask a full-time literature faculty member to supervise their ENGL 4980 capstone.
* Students who opt for the Internship Capstone should ask the literature faculty member who is scheduled to teach ENGL 4960 in the fall.
* Students who opt for the Thesis Capstone should ask the literature faculty member who is scheduled to teach ENGL 4970 in the fall.
* If you have questions at any time during this process, feel free to address your questions to the department chair or undergraduate literature coordinator (Arts & Sciences 3-03). Please print clearly.

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Course Number of Preferred Capstone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Faculty Member Who Will Supervise the Capstone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Faculty Member \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Department Chair\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Notes (optional):