

# GLOBAL HUMANITIES M.A.

Degree: Master of Arts  
<https://www.towson.edu/cla/departments/interdisciplinary/grad/humanities/>

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Towson University's master's program in Global Humanities fosters positive change through interdisciplinary inquiry into human culture, ideas and practices. With its global focus on humanitarian and cultural issues, the program prepares graduates to serve as effective, ethical leaders and engaged citizens.

This program is a quality and affordable graduate degree for students pursuing careers in non-profit and NGO work, social justice and community engagement, education, arts management, economics, communications and public relations, and government career sectors. Students also use the degree as a stepping stone to competitive Ph.D. programs in humanities-related fields.

## Requirements

### Admission Requirements

Application deadlines and a full listing of materials required for admission can be found on the website.

### Degree Requirements

The Master of Arts in Global Humanities requires completion of a 36-unit program of study, combining 21 units of required curriculum with 15 units of elective courses, thesis and/or internship work. Students must have the approval of the program director before registering for any elective course to count for the humanities degree. Students will select one of the following courses of study: the Thesis Option; Anthology Option; or the Internship Option.

With the approval of the program director, students may apply 6 transfer units with the grade of "B" or better to the elective requirements of the program.

#### Thesis Option

| Code   | Title   | Units     |
|--|---|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b>  |   |           |
| HUMA 600   | INTRODUCTION TO GRADUATE STUDIES IN GLOBAL HUMANITIES | 3         |
| <b>Interdisciplinary Thematic Seminars (select 6 courses from the following)</b> |   | <b>18</b> |
| HUMA 610   | WAR   |           |
| HUMA 612   | ENVIROHUMANITIES                                      |           |
| HUMA 613   | DISEASE, LIFE, AND DEATH                              |           |
| HUMA 614   | TRANSLATION   |           |
| HUMA 615   | POWER   |           |
| HUMA 616   | THE HUMAN   |           |
| PRWR 611   | RHETORIC  |           |
| <b>Elective Courses</b>  |   | <b>9</b>  |

Electives may include topics seminars in the program, graduate seminars in related fields (approved by the director), or internships (no more than 6 units)

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| <b>Thesis Course</b> <sup>1</sup> |                   | <b>6</b>  |
| HUMA 897                          | HUMANITIES THESIS |           |
| or HUMA 898                       | HUMANITIES THESIS |           |
| <b>Total Units</b>                |                   | <b>36</b> |

#### Anthology Option

| Code   | Title   | Units     |
|--|---|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b>  |   |           |
| HUMA 600   | INTRODUCTION TO GRADUATE STUDIES IN GLOBAL HUMANITIES | 3         |
| <b>Interdisciplinary Thematic Seminars (select 6 courses from the following)</b> |   | <b>18</b> |
| HUMA 610   | WAR   |           |
| HUMA 612   | ENVIROHUMANITIES                                      |           |
| HUMA 613   | DISEASE, LIFE, AND DEATH                              |           |
| HUMA 614   | TRANSLATION   |           |
| HUMA 615   | POWER   |           |
| HUMA 616   | THE HUMAN   |           |
| PRWR 611   | RHETORIC  |           |

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| <b>Elective Courses</b>  |  | <b>15</b> |
| Electives may include topics seminars in the program, graduate seminars in related fields (approved by the director), or internships (no more than 6 units). |  |           |
| Anthology required <sup>1</sup>  |  |           |
| <b>Total Units</b>   |  | <b>36</b> |

#### Internship Option

| Code   | Title   | Units     |
|--|---|-----------|
| <b>Required Courses</b>  |   |           |
| HUMA 600   | INTRODUCTION TO GRADUATE STUDIES IN GLOBAL HUMANITIES | 3         |
| <b>Interdisciplinary Thematic Seminars (select 6 courses from the following)</b> |   | <b>18</b> |
| HUMA 610   | WAR   |           |
| HUMA 612   | ENVIROHUMANITIES                                      |           |
| HUMA 613   | DISEASE, LIFE, AND DEATH                              |           |
| HUMA 614   | TRANSLATION   |           |
| HUMA 615   | POWER   |           |
| HUMA 616   | THE HUMAN   |           |
| PRWR 611   | RHETORIC  |           |

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| <b>Elective Courses</b>  |                                 | <b>12</b> |
| Electives may include topics seminars in the program, graduate seminars in related fields (approved by the director), or internships (no more than 6 units). |                                 |           |
| HUMA 780   | INTERNSHIP IN GLOBAL HUMANITIES | 3         |
| <b>Total Units</b>   |                                 | <b>36</b> |

<sup>1</sup> The thesis or anthology must be submitted to the director by the seventh week of the term in which the student plans to graduate.

## Learning Outcomes

1. Understanding and appreciating the particular insights and interventions that humanistic inquiry can make into major global issues, across disciplines and historic periods.
2. Understanding the relevance of and potential practical applications of the humanities in historic and contemporary global culture and the challenges and benefits posed by global exchange.
3. Producing substantive insight into complex problems by means of interdisciplinary inquiry, practical collaborative projects, and/or community outreach.