

**ENGLISH DEPARTMENT APPLICATION FOR GRADUATE ADMISSION AND AWARDS**  
**LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

1. NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

2. DEGREE SOUGHT - MA or PhD in English, or MFA in Creative Writing: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: MA or MFA normally expected before beginning PhD.

3. TO BEGIN (SEMESTER and YEAR): \_\_\_\_\_

Note: We normally admit new students only for fall or summer semester.

4. PRESENT ADDRESS:

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5. PERMANENT ADDRESS (if different from above):

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6. TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

7. SOCIAL SECURITY #: \_\_\_\_\_

8. E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

9. ACADEMIC HONORS, GRANTS, AWARDS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER RECOGNITION OF SCHOLARLY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

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10. UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE, YEAR, INSTITUTION, AND GPA:

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11. GRADUATE DEGREE, YEAR, INSTITUTION, AND GPA:

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12. GRE Scores: Verbal\_\_\_\_ Quantitative \_\_\_\_ Analytical\_\_\_\_

Subject Test (optional)\_\_\_\_ Date taken\_\_\_\_\_

13. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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14. GIVE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF AT LEAST THREE PERSONS WHOM YOU HAVE ASKED TO WRITE IN YOUR BEHALF. They should be individuals (e.g. professors) well acquainted with your work as a student, and you should ask them to write promptly to the Director of Graduate Studies in English, Department of English, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-5001, so that we receive their letters before January 25. You should give each recommender a stamped envelope addressed to us, along with a copy of the form provided for letters of recommendation, which indicates whether their letter is confidential or not. It might be a good idea to write them again about January 1 thanking them for agreeing to write you a letter and reminding them of our deadline.

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15. ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, LIST ALL UNDERGRADUATE, THEN ALSO ANY GRADUATE ENGLISH COURSES YOU HAVE TAKEN. For all courses, indicate name of institution, titles of courses, number of credits for each, and grades received.

16. LETTER OF APPLICATION. The "brief statement" requested on your Graduate School application should be about 500 words long. Write about yourself and your interests, your research and reading interests, and your experience as a teacher (if any). Add any further information that you consider relevant for a consideration of your qualifications for this award.

17. **WRITING SAMPLE.** All applicants are required to submit a writing sample. Applications to the MA and PhD programs should include about a 20-page sample of critical writing; Applications to the MFA program should include about 20 pages of prose, 8-10 poems, or a substantial portion of a script.

18. **THESE MUST BE SENT UNDER SEPARATE COVER TO THE LSU GRADUATE SCHOOL:**

A) By you: your application for admission to the Graduate School. (They will forward both sides of the "Departmental Information" page to the department.) B) By your registrar: official transcript of your academic record to date.

19. **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:** Applications with all supporting data must be on file no later than January 25 (again, this is a departmental deadline, earlier than the LSU Graduate School's deadline). Later applications may be considered if vacancies exist. The completed application form and the letter of application should be sent to the Director of Graduate Studies in English, Department of English, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-5001

## RECOMMENDATION FOR GRADUATE STUDY

### Must be completed by the applicant:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

What degree will you pursue at LSU? \_\_\_\_\_

In which department? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of recommender \_\_\_\_\_

In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, you may waive your right to inspect this recommendation. Please check the appropriate box and sign below. Should you decide not to waive the right, you will have access to the recommendation if you enroll in the Graduate School at LSU

I hereby waive my right of access to this recommendation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date

I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date

### Must be completed by the recommender:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title or position \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address \_\_\_\_\_

Email address  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

Date

Please write (you may print or type) candidly and analytically about the applicant's qualifications and potential to be academically successful in the field specified above. You may use the back of this page or you may wish to write a separate letter. When you have completed this recommendation, please seal it, sign it across the seal, and mail it directly to us: English Admissions, Graduate Director, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-5001.

This recommendation will remain confidential during the admission process and will be used by the English Department only in its procedures relative to admission and awarding of fellowships or assistantships. If the applicant has not waived the right of access to the recommendation, it will become accessible to the applicant only after he or she enrolls in the English Department.