

## **MA in Literature Program at Rosemont College Mission, Goals, and Assessment Plan**

### **Mission**

The Rosemont College Master of Arts in Literature develops literature students by focusing on the real-world knowledge, skills, behaviors, and experiences of those involved in the world of literature. The mission of the program is for everyone—all students and faculty members—to work together to help each person in the community realize his or her potential and to reach his or her professional and personal goals. Students go on from the program to become active members in the literary community as writers, readers, scholars, and/or teachers.

### **Learning Outcomes**

**Goal 1.** Upon graduation, students will be able to structure and craft an academic study/analysis related to their program of study in literature

**Objective 1.1** Students will structure, craft, and revise a fifty-page thesis that explores their chosen topic in depth.

**Evaluative Tactic 1.1.1.** Students will score a 15 or higher (out of 20) on departmental rubrics that assess students' thesis writing.

**Goal 2.** By graduation, students will be to identify, locate, evaluate, and effectively and responsibly use and share that information to conduct and write research in the field of literary studies.

**Objective 2.1** Students must master information literacy skills and demonstrate their mastery by conducting research and writing research papers in the field of literary studies.

**Evaluative Tactic 2.1.1.** On papers that test students' information literacy skills, students will score a 15 or higher (out of 20) on the appropriate departmental rubrics.

**Goal 3.** Upon graduation students will be able to write critically about literary texts using a variety of critical theories.

**Objective 3.1.** Students will take and successfully pass a Comprehensive Exam in English literature that tests their abilities in literary criticism.

**Evaluative Tactic 3.1.1.** On departmental rubrics that assess students' critical writing skills in the field of literary studies, students will score a 15 or higher.