

Heritage University

Master's in English | Multicultural Literature and Language

Writing Sample Packet Requirements

Thank you for your interest in our program. The following items should be submitted along with your application. Questions? Please email us: LiteratureandLanguage@Heritage.edu. We look forward to reading your materials!

Cover Letter

Please write a one-page cover letter approximately 250 words in length. In your cover letter, please address the following:

- Help us get to know you. Please tell us about your background area(s) of study and your current professional, academic or volunteer positions and pursuits.
- How will undertaking and completing the Master's in English program at Heritage assist you with your academic, professional and personal goals?
- Our program's focus is multicultural; our literature, linguistics and writing courses are contemporary as we seek to empower students to better understand their communities and the world. Please let us know how this focus interests you, and how it will be impactful for your academic, professional and personal goals.
- A brief explanation of your writing sample.

Writing Sample

- Our goal is to get to know you through your writing, so a variety of types of writing is ideal. Please send us your best work. We do not expect perfection, but we do expect your sample to be well-constructed and proofread for all mechanical issues. We do not have a preference for citation style (MLA, APA, etc.) in the writing sample, as we understand applicants come from a variety of undergraduate and professional backgrounds; as such, samples should reflect those backgrounds.
- 5 – 10 pages in length, in one document, either Word or a .pdf are preferred. The submission may be academic, professional or creative; one document or a compilation. For instance, you may choose to submit a three-page essay from your

undergraduate studies along with a four-page report created for a professional setting and three poems.