

Dutch Studies

The Designated Emphasis (DE) in Dutch Studies provides curricular and research resources for students who want to concentrate on Dutch Studies within their respective disciplines and have their work formally recognized in their degree designation. Designed to bring together faculty and students from different departments, the DE will be administered by the Graduate Group in Dutch Studies and will provide a unique context for rigorous cross-disciplinary research. Sponsoring departments include German, History, History of Art, Southeast Asian Studies, African-American Studies, Comparative Literature, French, and Sociology. However, the DE is open to interested students regardless of whether their home department is officially affiliated with the DE. The program will help advance Berkeley's position as America's leading Dutch studies program and facilitate research in and cooperation with other universities in the Netherlands, Belgium, South Africa, Indonesia, and the Caribbean, for example, who also have strong Dutch studies programs. Students applying to the DE must be prepared to integrate high-level research in Dutch studies into their coursework, qualifying exam and dissertation.

To be admitted to the Designated Emphasis in Development Engineering, an applicant must already be accepted into a PhD program at the University of California, Berkeley. For further information regarding admission to graduate programs at UC Berkeley, please see the Graduate Division's Admissions website (<http://grad.berkeley.edu/admissions>).

Students are required to fill out a form requesting admission, listing their prior preparation in the field, and their projected pathway through the program. In addition, they have to submit a brief essay stating interests and reasons for applying, a CV, a writing sample, and a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in the student's home department indicating why and how the student would benefit from the DE.

Students must be admitted to the DE prior to taking their qualifying exams. Admission will be determined on the basis of how coherently and logically the student can articulate the value of the DE for her/his larger course of study and career goals, as well as on the quality of the written work.

Curriculum/Coursework

Students admitted to the designated emphasis program must complete the following requirements before applying for their qualifying examination:

Language Requirement

DUTCH 100	Dutch for Reading Knowledge ¹	3
or DUTCH 1	Elementary Dutch	

Integrative Course

DUTCH 299	Individual Studies in Dutch for Graduate Students ¹⁻⁸	2
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Electives

Select two additional courses related to Dutch Studies, from the following approved list; at least one must be a graduate seminar: ³

AFRICAM 118	The Slave Trade and Culture in the Modern Atlantic World
AFRICAM 131	Caribbean Societies and Cultures

DUTCH 107	The Structure of Modern Dutch
DUTCH 110	Advanced Dutch
DUTCH 125	Conversation and Composition
DUTCH 140	Topics in Dutch Literature
DUTCH C164	The Indonesian Connection: Dutch Literature About the Indies in English Translation
DUTCH 166	Anne Frank and After: Dutch Literature of the Holocaust in English Translation
DUTCH 170	Multiculturalism in the Netherlands
DUTCH C170	Dutch Culture and Society: Amsterdam and Berkeley in the Sixties
DUTCH 171AC	From New Amsterdam to New York: Race, Culture, and Identity in New Netherland
DUTCH 174	Brussels: A Global Study of a European Capital City
DUTCH 173	Dutch Post-Colonial Studies
DUTCH 176	Course Not Available
DUTCH C178	Cultural Studies
DUTCH 179	Cultural Studies
DUTCH 299	Individual Studies in Dutch for Graduate Students ⁴
GERMAN C13C	Course Not Available
GERMAN 280	North Sea Germanic
HISTART 104	Course Not Available
HISTART 108	Cities and the Arts
HISTART 166	Van Eyck to Brueghel
HISTART 172	The Dutch Golden Age
HISTART 173	The Age of Rubens
HISTART 260	Seminar in Italian Renaissance Art
HISTART 262	Seminar in European Art
HISTORY 112BA	Africa: Modern South Africa, 1652-Present
HISTORY 165E	Course Not Available
HISTORY 170	The Netherlands
S,SEASN 128	Course Not Available
S,SEASN 130	Course Not Available
S,SEASN 136	Course Not Available
S,SEASN 137	Course Not Available
S,SEASN 210E	Course Not Available

¹ Students who already possess a basic knowledge of Dutch can apply for dispensation of this requirement. In order to do so, their knowledge of Dutch has to be examined and officially acknowledged in a letter written by a member of the Dutch Studies Program in the Department of German.

² This course will serve as the integrative course for the program regarding methodology and research skills. The student needs to write a 7000-word article to complete the course, using a bibliography that includes Dutch studies materials. The ultimate goal is to elaborate an article in close cooperation with the supervising faculty member(s) that can be published in an academic journal in the field of Dutch studies (such as *Dutch Crossing*, *Journal of Dutch Literature*, or *The Low Countries*), or any other academic journal.

³ Students may petition for a course not on this established list if approved by the advising committee.

⁴ One of the two course electives can be fulfilled by repeating DUTCH 299, under the condition that the topic of this course changes.

Qualifying Examination

A member of the Graduate Group in Dutch Studies must be a formal member of the PhD qualifying examination committee of the DE student. Under most circumstances, the Graduate Group member in the student's home department will serve in this function. A member of the graduate group may also serve as the outside member of the qualifying exam committee if not a faculty member of the student's major. At least one Dutch studies topic must be included as a subject on the qualifying examination. Satisfactory performance on the qualifying examination for the PhD will be judged according to the established rules in the student's major program.

Dissertation

A member of the Graduate Group in Dutch Studies must be a formal member of the dissertation committee of the DE student. The dissertation must (partially) relate to Dutch studies (such as Dutch culture, history, politics, art, literature, linguistics, or sociology).

Degree conferral

Upon completion of all requirements of the student's major program and the DE in Dutch Studies, students will receive a designation on their transcript and diploma stating that they have completed a "PhD in (. . .) with a Designated Emphasis in Dutch Studies."

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DUTCH 299 Individual Studies in Dutch for Graduate Students 1 - 8 Units

Offered through: German

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017

For graduate students engaged in exploration of a restricted field, involving the writing of a research paper.

Individual Studies in Dutch for Graduate Students: [Read More \[+\]](#)

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-8 hours of independent study per week

Summer: 8 weeks - 1.5-15 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Dutch/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Individual Studies in Dutch for Graduate Students: [Read Less \[-\]](#)