

**Annual Key Assessment Findings and Curricular Improvements
Department of English
Comprehensive Exams for the Ph.D. in English
AY 2009-10**

Key Assessment Findings

**GRADUATE COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION RESULTS
Department of English
AY2009-2010**

	Fail		Pass		High Pass		Pass w/Honors		TOTAL
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
Doctoral program	0	0.00%	13	100.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	13

The table above reflects the results of the 200910 Ph.D. comprehensive exams in English. 13 students took the exam, and all were awarded a “Pass.” After reviewing the results of the comprehensive exam, the Department of English has concluded that student achievement has, on the whole, met departmental expectations.

Curricular Improvements

The department has decided to narrow the breadth of literary history section of the exam in order to avoid too much duplication of the M.A. exam, and to alter the special field section in a manner to help students better prepare for the dissertation. These changes go into effect in AY 2010-11.