

**MENG 6940: PROFESSIONAL PROJECT THESIS**

**PROPOSAL FORM**

As specified in the course catalog, MENG 6940 provides for the creation and execution of a project growing out of graduate study particularly as it applies to the workplace. This course is designed to allow students to explore in depth and/or breadth, subject matter which goes beyond the established courses in the MA English program. As such, a Master’s Project proposal should be detailed, specific, and demonstrate a time commitment equal to that expected of students taking regularly scheduled courses.

Generally speaking, professional thesis projects fall under the sub-disciplines of English Education or Rhetoric and Writing (including Technical Writing). As such, the thesis should be constructed in such a way as to reflect the publication practices of the discipline.

Credits: [ ]  3 [ ]  6

Student Name:

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Project Committee Chair:

Committee Reader:       Committee Reader:

Semester and Year:

**In consultation with your committee chair, please attach the following:**

[ ]  A detailed description of the topic, the issues(s) or problem(s) it engages, and the professional apparatus you will employ.

[ ]  A preliminary bibliography: list of the primary and secondary texts that will be read. The amount of reading required must be the same as the amount required in a face-to-face class of equivalent credit hours.

[ ]  A detailed description of the written work that will be completed. Include particulars (e.g., pages, number of secondary sources required, type of product created, use of critical introduction if needed, etc.).

Guidelines for written work are as follows:

3 Credits: approximately 7000 words of finished work, including critical introduction if needed.

6 Credits: approximately 14000 words of finished work, including critical introduction if needed.

Thesis projects are expected to approach publication quality!

Signature of Student Signature of Project Committee Chair

Signature of Reader Signature of Reader

Approval by Program Director

**Please make sure this form and all attachments are submitted AT LEAST one month prior to the proposed semester of the thesis.**