

## Comparative Literature

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### Degree conferred

Philosophiae Doctor in Litteris Generalibus et Comparativis / Doctor of Philosophy in Comparative Literature (PhD)

### Commencement of studies

An application for admission may be submitted at any time.

### Regulation

<http://studies.unifr.ch/go/dGLfK> (French and German only)

### Application procedure

#### Candidates with Swiss qualifications

<https://studies.unifr.ch/go/Uj3b4>

#### Candidates with foreign qualifications

<https://studies.unifr.ch/go/2KPbe>

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### Fribourg profile

The Institute of General and Comparative Literature offers a doctoral training in the field of literature from Antiquity to the contemporary period and in literary theory and interculturality.

The programme provides the opportunity to cover these fields of study in all aspects and in the multiplicity of their manifestations. It fosters a mindset of exchange and promotes intense collaboration between professors and doctoral students, thanks to the doctoral programme in collaboration with the Universities of Zurich and Geneva – and with the Institute's international partners.

The theses directed within the Institute can cover many fields, including:

- Poetic, historic and thematic issues
- Literary theory
- Interdisciplinary and transversal issues
- Intercultural, post-colonial and global perspectives

### Professors who are eligible to supervise theses

- **Prof. Thomas Austenfeld**  
American literature
- **Prof. Arnd Beise**  
Modern German literature
- **Prof. Hugo Bizzarri**  
Medieval Spanish literature
- **Prof. Paola Borsa**  
Medieval and modern Italian literature
- **Prof. Claude Bourqui**  
Modern French literature
- **Prof. Julia Straub**  
Modern English literature
- **Prof. Elisabeth Dutton**

- Medieval English literature
- **Prof. Christian Genetelli**  
Modern Italian literature
- **N.N.**  
Early modern English literature
- **Prof. Sabine Haupt**  
General and comparative literature
- **Prof. Cornelia Herberichs**  
Medieval German literature
- **Prof. Jens Herlth**  
Slavic literature
- **Prof. Thomas Hunkeler**  
Modern French literature, literature theory
- **Prof. Tom Kindt**  
Modern German literature, literature theory
- **Prof. Uberto Motta**  
Modern Italian literature
- **Prof. Ralph Müller**  
Modern German literature
- **Francisco Ramírez Santacruz**  
Modern Iberian and Latin-American literature
- **Prof. Karin Schlapbach**  
Ancient literature
- **Prof. Thomas Schmidt**  
Ancient literature
- **PD Dr Martin Steinrück**  
Ancient literature
- **Prof. Marion Uhlig**  
Medieval French literature

*Note:* For more details on the areas of specialisation, view the corresponding department's Web page.

### Studies organisation

#### Structure of studies

No ECTS credits can be earned.

#### Doctoral school

<http://studies.unifr.ch/go/fr-phd-comparative-literature> (French)  
<http://studies.unifr.ch/go/de-phd-comparative-literature> (German)

#### Admission

In order to be admitted to a doctorate the candidate must have been awarded an academic **bachelor's and master's degree** or an equivalent qualification from a university recognised by the University of Fribourg.

Before applying for a doctorate the candidate must contact a **professor** who would be willing to supervise the thesis work.

There is **no general right** to be admitted to a doctorate.

*The respective conditions of admission for each doctoral study programme are reserved.*

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## Doc- Postdoc-portal

<http://www.unifr.ch/phd>