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1. All relevant (undergraduate and graduate) academic transcripts. If admitted into the program, applicant will be required to submit (2) sets of original transcripts for all relevant schools attended;
2. Three letters of recommendation from persons familiar with the applicant’s work;
3. A personal statement, one to two pages single spaced;
4. A writing sample, about 20 pages double spaced, demonstrating the applicant’s abilities as a literary critic (either one 20-page paper or two 10-page papers is acceptable);
5. Graduate Record Examination scores, both General and Subject (Literature in English). These tests must be taken within five years of application to the Program. The General Test is REQUIRED. The Subject test, though not required, is strongly recommended;
6. TOEFL/IELTS. An official Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or International English Language Testing System (IELTS) score is required of non-native speakers of English. The minimum TOEFL score is 213 (computer version) and 550 (paper version). A Band 7 or higher score is required for the IELTS. The TOEFL or IELTS score may be no more than two years old. You are exempt from submitting TOEFL or IELTS scores if you are a Permanent Resident, US citizen, or an international applicant with a minimum of three years undergraduate studies or a masters degree with the mode of instruction being English;
7. A curriculum vitae which should also include a list of the applicant’s fields of interest.

Use Institutional code #2790 to report GRE and TOEFL/IELTS scores. Arrange for all supporting documents and official test scores to be sent to the Office of Graduate and Professional Admissions, Rutgers, The State University of NJ, 18 Bishop Place, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8530, U.S.A.

For test administrations of the GRE, TOEFL, and SUBJECT tests, contact the Educational Testing Service, 609-771-7670 or 1-877-863-3546. For IELTS application information, please visit: www.ielts.org.

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