# Application for admission as a taught postgraduate student

University of St Andrews - School of English

All applicants must complete and upload this supplementary form to their online Application to Postgraduate Study file.

Please complete all relevant sections, observing the word limits indicated.

**Applicant Name:**

**MLitt Programme of Interest:**

1. Please state briefly (and in not more than 100 words) your reasons for applying for postgraduate study in English literature at St Andrews:
2. Please state clearly (and in not more than 200 words) what in your educational background makes you a particularly suitable candidate for graduate study in your chosen programme:
3. **For all entrants whose first language is not English**

Our English language policy is stringent, and we expect PG entrants to have a near-native speaker level of proficiency. We require all applicants whose first language is not English to have an academic IELTS score of 7.5 or above (7.0 within all sub-sections of the test), or its equivalent. Where available, you should also append available certificates at application submission point, or alternatively provide details of your test date. Please provide details of your current English language proficiency below:

1. You must submit an academic writing sample in support of your application which is directly related to your choice of study programme at PG level, i.e., an applicant to the Medieval English MLitt should provide a writing sample which covers either Old or Middle English; submission of a Thomas Hardy essay, for example, would not be considered acceptable. Critical essay submissions should use both primary and secondary sources, footnotes and a bibliography.

In addition to the academic sample, Creative Writing and Playwriting & Screenwriting applicants should also submit an additional original writing sample of around 10-15 pages of either poetry, prose or playscript, relevant only for the programme option chosen.

Please note your submitted essay title(s) below:

1. **For Creative Writing applicants only**

Please confirm whether you wish to undertake poetry or prose modules:

1. How did you hear about this programme?
2. Please add any further information you feel may be relevant to your application:

**Please ensure that you have submitted all necessary documents. A list of application requirements specific to your chosen programme can be found by linking through to your named Masters option via the** [**School of English website**](https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/english/prospective/pgt/)