



INSTITUTE FOR COMPARATIVE  
LITERATURE AND SOCIETY  
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

## Application to the Major in Comparative Literature and Society

\*Students are encouraged to meet with the DUS prior to submitting the application. All majors are required to meet with the DUS at least once a year.

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### **\*\*APPLICATION SUBMISSION GUIDELINES\*\***

To complete your application, email:

- 1) **this application form**
- 2) **a one page academic interest statement**
- 3) **a copy of your transcript (unofficial is acceptable)**

**Send AS A SINGLE PDF by January 3<sup>rd</sup> to [icls.columbia@gmail.com](mailto:icls.columbia@gmail.com) named LAST NAME, First Name CLS Major app.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ UNI/E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
School: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Advisor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

### **FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT**

**Foreign Language #1:** 4 semesters of language training (or equivalent) and two semesters of introductory literature courses, typically numbered 3330-3350. Indicate Language #1 here: \_\_\_\_\_

**Foreign Language #2:** 4 semesters of one language or 2 semesters of two languages. Indicate Language #2 here: \_\_\_\_\_

### **OTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MAJOR**

The major in Comparative Literature and Society consists of a minimum of 33 points or 11 courses, distributed as follows. Courses taken to fulfill the application requirements do not count toward the major. With the exception of courses taken to satisfy the global core requirement, double counting of courses to the CPLS major and another program or university requirement must be approved by the DUS

1. Introduction to ICLS (CPLS V3900), taken in the spring of the sophomore year (3 points)
2. Two courses with a CPLS designator. CLXX courses, i.e. courses cross-listed between ICLS and other departments, may also be counted toward this requirement (6-8 points)
3. Two seminars in a humanities or social science discipline other than literature (6-8 points)
4. Two courses requiring readings in a language other than English. (The two courses don't have to be in the same foreign language) (6-8 points)
5. Two courses focusing on a specific national or regional literature or culture, chosen from any discipline (The two courses should focus on the same nation/region) (6-8 points)
6. One elective course reflecting the student's intellectual interests. Additional foreign language study may also be counted with DUS approval (6-8 points)
7. Senior Seminar in Comparative Literature and Society (CPLS V3991)
8. (Optional) Senior Thesis (CPLS 3995) (3 points)