COMPARATIVE LITERATURE

Student Aid

Graduate assistantships available to students in this program and other forms of student aid are described in the Tuition & Funding (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-funding/) section of The Graduate School's website. Students on graduate assistantships must adhere to the course load limits (https://gradschool.psu.edu/graduate-education-policies/gsad/gsad-900/gsad-901-graduate-assistants/) set by The Graduate School.

Teaching assistantships in the Department of Comparative Literature, as well as in related language and literature departments, typically have been available to students taking comparative literature degrees. In recent years, Comparative Literature students have held assistantships in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Spanish, Swahili, and Women's Studies, as well as in Comparative Literature courses. There also is a graduate assistantship position for an editorial assistant to the journal Comparative Literature Studies, which is edited in the department. In addition, the following awards typically have been available to graduate students in this program.

Samuel P. Bayard Award

Available annually to a graduate student in comparative literature, selected by the graduate committee of the Department of Comparative Literature. Amount varies.

Edwin Erle Sparks Fellowships in the Humanities

Available to beginning and continuing graduate students in the following graduate programs:

- Comparative Literature
- English
- French
- German
- History
- Philosophy
- Spanish
- Communication Arts and Sciences

Folger Institute Fellowships

Penn State is a member of the Folger Institute of Renaissance and Eighteenth-Century Studies. Graduate students in Comparative Literature are eligible for Folger Institute Fellowships to study in seminars and workshops at the Folger Library, Washington, D.C.

Title VI Center for Global Studies Assistantship

Available to beginning and continuing graduate students in Comparative Literature and other programs.