

BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ENGLISH

ENGLISH STUDIES EMPHASIS



REALIZE YOUR GOAL OF AN ENGLISH-RELATED CAREER

The English major with an emphasis in English Studies offers maximum flexibility for students who want a broad background encompassing all areas of English Studies, or who have specialized interests and want to design their own English major. Often students pursuing English Studies have a very specific goal in mind - teaching English abroad or pursuing a career in the film industry, for example.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

This elective-based major allows students to customize their coursework in a way that most directly aligns with their long-term goals. The emphasis requires 30 credits of coursework in English, with at least 24 of those credits at the 3000-level or above, and includes 3 credits in Multicultural and Non-Western Literature. Students will also complete a 4000-level capstone course aligned with their academic interests and professional focus. This 44-credit hour major allows students the time to pair their major program with a second major or a minor, or to pursue internship opportunities to further enhance their skills.

WHAT CAREERS CAN I PURSUE?

Career paths for graduates of the English major with an English Studies emphasis largely depend upon the way the student shapes their degree. Depending on the courses chosen, students can use this degree as a springboard to careers in writing, editing, human resources, marketing, content creation, teaching English abroad, among others. Students will learn how to navigate the complexities of the job market in our senior level Career Development course, where they will explore career options while honing materials for their next step.

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FA 2024 THROUGH CURRENT CATALOG

The curriculum for the ENGLISH MAJOR WITH AN EMPHASIS IN ENGLISH STUDIES includes a core curriculum with two courses that target professional development and career readiness, one required multicultural literature course, and 27-credit hours of English elective coursework. Students actively tailor the course selection to their academic and career goals.

ENGLISH MAJOR: 44 HRS

ENGLISH MAJOR CORE REQUIREMENTS: 11 HRS

- ENG 1105 English Major Forum (1 hr)
- ENG 2205 Introduction to Literary Studies
- ENG 2901 Structure of English
- OR ENG 3901 Language and Linguistics
- OR ENG 4901 History of the English Language
- ENG 4300/90 English Studies Capstone*
- ENG 4060 English Studies Career Development (1 hr)

* ENG 4300/90 also satisfies the senior seminar requirement in the General Education program.

- + EMPHASIS IN ENGLISH STUDIES: 30 HRS
- 27 HRS with at least 24 HRS at the 3000-level or above
 - 3 HRS in Multicultural and Non-Western Literature
- + CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE : 3 HRS
- Course in English at 4000-level or above

Recommended Schedule of Classes

	FALL SEMESTER		SPRING SEMESTER	
	COURSE	HRS	COURSE	HRS
YEAR 1	ENG 1001G/91G	3	ENG 1002G/92G	3
	ENG 1105 English Major Forum	1	ENG 1009G or 2706G or Gen Ed Humanities	3
	CMN 1310G	3	Gen Ed Science	3
	Gen Ed Soc/Behavioral Science	3	Gen Ed Math	3
	Gen Ed Foreign Lang or Elective	3-4	Gen Ed Foreign Lang or Elective	3-4
	Total	13-14	Total	15-16
YEAR 2	COURSE	HRS	COURSE	HRS
	ENG 2205 Intro to Literary Studies	3	ENG 2901 Structure of English	3
	ENG 2504G or 2705G or Gen Ed Humanities	3	Upper Division English elective	3
	Gen Ed Soc/Behavioral Science	3	Upper Division English elective	3
	Gen Ed Fine Art	3	Gen Ed Soc/Behavioral Science	4
	Elective*	3	Gen Ed Science with Lab	3
YEAR 3	Total	15	Total	16
	COURSE	HRS	COURSE	HRS
	Multicultural Literature	3	Upper Division English Elective	3
	Upper Division English Elective	3	Upper Division English Elective	3
	Upper Division English Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
YEAR 4	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	15	Total	15
	COURSE	HRS	COURSE	HRS
	ENG 4060 English Studies Career Development	3	ENG 4300/90 Eng Studies Capstone	3
	Upper Division English Elective	3	Upper Division English Elective	3
	ENG 4XXX English Emphasis Capstone	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Elective	3	Elective	3
	Total	15	Total	15

*It is highly recommended that students choose either a second emphasis in English or a minor outside the department as a way to focus their elective coursework.