

Bachelor of Arts in English

The Bachelor of Arts in English teaches you to organize thoughts and ideas, and express them with eloquence and clarity as you explore English, American, and world literature. It also places an emphasis on preparing you to be successful in a variety of professions where exceptional communications skills are valued, such as public relations, editing, writing, reporting, legal, and research. A concentration in writing techniques addresses specific audiences in creative, technical, and professional arenas, and gives you the opportunity to develop articles and other writing samples as part of a portfolio.

Degree Program Objectives

In addition to the institutional and degree level learning objectives, graduates of this program are expected to achieve these learning outcomes:

- Demonstrate the ability to effectively express ideas and evidence in writing.
- Discuss representative literary texts and critical theory to enhance a life-long learning process.
- Conduct an analysis of a literary work and discuss the history and characteristics of various periods and genres.
- Analyze written materials and examine the relevance of multiple interpretations in a diverse society.
- Demonstrate knowledge of literature in the British and American canon and beyond, in order to apply their interpretations against their own cultural experience.

While learning objectives that are specific to the academic discipline have been identified for each degree program, the University System also outlines general education outcomes (Level 1 and 2) that are sought throughout the institution and at each degree level.

Degree at a Glance

Code	Title	Semester Hours
	General Education Requirements	30
	Major Required	30
	Select one of the following concentrations:	18
	General Concentration (p. 2)	
	Concentration in Writing (p. 3)	
	Final Program Requirements	3
	Elective Requirements	39
	Total Semester Hours	120

Degree Program Requirements

General Education Requirements (30 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Arts and Humanities (6 semester hours)¹		
Select 2 courses from the following:		6
ARTH200	Art Appreciation	
ARTH241	Film and Literature	
DSIN141	Image Enhancement using Adobe Photoshop	
LITR201	World Literature through the Renaissance	
LITR202	World Literature since the Renaissance	
LITR210	English Literature: Beowulf to 18th Century	
LITR211	English Literature: 18th Century to Present	
LITR220	American Literature before The Civil War	
LITR221	American Literature from The Civil War to Present	
ARAB100	Arabic I	
ARAB101	Arabic II	
FREN100	French I	
FREN101	French II	
GERM100	German I	
GERM101	German II	
JAPN100	Introduction to Japanese	
MUSI200	Music Appreciation	
MUSI250	World Music and Cultures	
PHIL101	Introduction to Philosophy	
PHIL110	Critical Thinking	
PHIL200	Introduction to Ethics	
PHIL202	Philosophy of Science	
PORT100	Introduction to Brazilian Portuguese	
RELS201	Introduction to World Religions	
RUSS100	Russian I	
SPAN100	Spanish I	
SPAN101	Spanish II	
Civics, Political and Social Sciences (6 semester hours)¹		
Select 2 courses from the following:		6
ANTH100	Introduction to Anthropology	
ANTH202	Introduction to Cultural Anthropology	
CHFD220	Human Sexuality	
COMM211	Social Media and Society	
COMM240	Intercultural Communication	
ECON101	Microeconomics	
ECON102	Macroeconomics	

EDUC200	Humane Education: A Global Interdisciplinary Perspective	
GEOG101	Introduction to Geography	
HOSP110	Practical Food Safety and Awareness	
IRLS210	International Relations I	
LITR204	Contemporary World Culture Through Literature	
LITR205	Cultural Diversity in Contemporary American Literature	
POLS210	American Government I	
PSYC101	Introduction to Psychology	
SOCI111	Introduction to Sociology	
SOCI212	Social Problems	
SOCI220	American Popular Culture	

Communication: Writing, Oral, and Multimedia (9 semester hours)

COMM120	Information and Digital Literacy	3
ENGL101	Proficiency in Writing (Required)	3

Select 1 course from the following: 3

COMM200	Public Speaking	
ENGL102	Effectiveness in Writing	
ENGL200	Composition and Literature	
ENGL220	Technical Writing	
ENGL221	Scientific Writing	
ENGL225	Business Writing	
HRMT101	Human Relations Communication	
IRLS200	Information Literacy and Global Citizenship	
ITCC231	Introduction to Information Technology Writing	
MGMT100	Human Relations	

History (3 semester hours)

Select 1 course from the following: 3

HIST101	American History to 1877	
HIST102	American History since 1877	
HIST111	World Civilization before 1650	
HIST112	World Civilization since 1650	
HIST121	Western Civilization before The Thirty Years War	
HIST122	Western Civilization since The Thirty Years War	
HIST221	African-American History before 1877	
HIST222	African-American History since 1877	
HIST223	History of the American Indian	
HIST270	History of Science	

Mathematics and Applied Reasoning (3 semester hours)

Select 1 course from the following: 3

ACCT105	Accounting for Non Accounting Majors	
ENTD200	Fundamentals of Programming	
MATH110	College Algebra	
MATH111	College Trigonometry	

MATH120	Introduction to Statistics	
MATH125	Math for Liberal Arts Majors	
MATH225	Calculus	

Natural Sciences (3 semester hours)

Select 1 course from the following: 3

BIOL180	Introduction to Biology	
BIOL181	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Physiology	
CHEM180	Introduction to Chemistry	
ERSC180	Introduction to Meteorology	
ERSC181	Introduction to Geology	
EVSP180	Introduction to Environmental Science	
PHYS180	Introduction to Physics	
SPST180	Introduction to Astronomy	

Total Semester Hours 30

¹ All literature courses require successful completion of ENGL101 - Proficiency in Writing or ENGL110 - Making Writing Relevant.

Major Required (30 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
ENGL230	Introduction to Linguistics	3
COLL300	Research, Analysis, and Writing	3
ENGL401	History of the English Language	3
LITR310	British Fiction	3
LITR316	British Poetry	3
LITR320	American Fiction	3
LITR322	American Poetry I	3
LITR330	Literary Theory	3
LITR402	Shakespeare: An Author for the Ages	3
Select 1 course from the following:		3
LITR403	The Work and Life of Ernest Hemingway	
LITR404	Mark Twain	
Total Semester Hours		30

Students must choose a concentration for this degree program and may select the General Concentration or the Concentration in Writing.

General Concentration (18 semester hours)

Allows you to select 6 courses from a list of courses in writing and literature, enabling you to create your own focused area of study.

Code	Title	Semester Hours
Select 6 courses from the following:		18
COMM350	Journalism	
ENGL120	Creative Writing	
ENGL220	Technical Writing	
ENGL225	Business Writing	
ENGL320	Freelance Writing	
ENGL322	The Personal Essay	
ENGL420	Advanced Creative Writing	
LITR324	African-American Literature	
LITR341	Folklore	
LITR355	Latin American Literature	
LITR365	Middle Eastern Literature	
Total Semester Hours		18

Elective Requirements (39 semester hours)

Select any courses that have not been used to fulfill major requirements. Credits applied toward a minor or certificate in an unrelated field may be used to fulfill elective credit for the major.

Concentration in Writing (18 semester hours)

Focuses on developing your writing skills by enabling you to select 6 writing courses in a variety of genres. Gives you the opportunity to develop writing samples as part of a portfolio.

Code	Title	Semester Hours
ENGL120	Creative Writing	3
COMM350	Journalism	3
Select 4 courses from the following:		12
ENGL220	Technical Writing	
ENGL225	Business Writing	
ENGL320	Freelance Writing	
ENGL322	The Personal Essay	
ENGL420	Advanced Creative Writing	
Total Semester Hours		18

Final Program Requirements (3 semester hours)

Code	Title	Semester Hours
ENGL498	Senior Seminar in English (to be taken as the last course before graduation) ¹	3
Total Semester Hours		3

¹ Prerequisite: Senior Standing and completion of all major courses prior to enrollment.