English

MAJOR
MINOR

CONCENTRATIONS IN:
• LITERATURE
• CREATIVE WRITING
• PROFESSIONAL WRITING

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Assistant Professors: Hartzog, Shimmin
Lecturer: Browne

• The department also coordinates minors in creative writing, film studies, journalism and public relations.
• Emphases in professional writing and in the teaching of writing are offered.
• ENGL 101, 111, 150, 215, 221, 250, 308, 309, 310, and 312 do not count toward major or minor.

Program Requirements

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<td>Hours Required in English:</td>
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Requirements for Major in English

1. Core Curriculum (15 hours)

ENGL 260 British Literature: Beowulf to Present*
ENGL 261 American Literature: Colonial to Present*
ENGL 270 European and Neo-European Literature*
ENGL 271 Asian and African Literature*
ENGL 300 Critical Writing About Literature* (Core Skill 2)
ENGL 306 English Language Structure and Development **

* Must have a C or better to count toward major.

2. Concentrations (27 hours)

Majors must choose one of the following concentrations:
- Literature
- Creative Writing
- Professional Writing

Requirements for Literature Concentration

1. Major Core Curriculum: (15 hours – listed above)

2. Concentration Core Requirements: (9 hours)

ENGL 340 Shakespeare
ENGL 471 Seminar in Critical Theory
ENGL 489 English Capstone

3. Period Courses: (9 hours)

Take one of the following:
ENGL 371 Literature of the Middle Ages
ENGL 372 Early Modern Literature
ENGL 373 Literature of the Enlightenment

Take one of the following:
ENGL 374 Literature of the Age of Revolution
ENGL 375 Romanticism
ENGL 376 Realism and Naturalism

4. Specialization Course: (3 hours)

Take one of the following:
ENGL 431 World Drama I
ENGL 432 World Drama II
ENGL 440 Literature of the Environment
ENGL 450 Women and Literature
ENGL 490 Selected Topics in English

5. Electives: (6 hours)

Students may count a maximum of 3 hours of writing courses beyond ENGL 300 Critical Writing About Literature. Students may count one 200-level course.

Requirements for Creative Writing Concentration

1. Major Core Curriculum: (15 hours – listed above)

2. Concentration Requirements: (24 hours)

ENGL 334 Creative Writing: Fiction
ENGL 335 Creative Writing: Poetry
ENGL 480 Form and Theory of Fiction and Poetry
ENGL 470 Senior Workshop
ENGL 489 English Capstone

Six hours from the following:
ENGL 360 Creative Nonfiction
ENGL 434 Advanced Fiction Writing
ENGL 435 Advanced Poetry Writing

3. Elective: (3 hours)

English course (300/400 level)
Requirements for Professional Writing Concentration

1. **Major Core Curriculum** *(15 hours – listed above)*

2. **Concentration Requirements:** *(27 hours)*
   - ENGL 330 Business Writing
   - or ENGL 338 Technical Writing
   - ENGL 336 Journalistic Writing
   - ENG 355 Socially Networked Journalism
   - ENGL 360 Creative Nonfiction
   - ENGL 402 Editing and Production
   - ENGL 430 The Composing Processes
   - ENGL 436 Advanced News and Feature Writing
   - ENGL 438 Applied Digital Writing
   - ENGL 489 English Capstone

Requirements for Minor in English

1. **Core Curriculum** *(15 hours – Same as major)*

2. **Minor Core Requirement** *(3 hours)*
   - ENGL 340 Shakespeare

3. **Electives** *(6 hours)*
   - Criteria for electives: Students must take 6 hrs. of literature at the 300/400 level.

Requirements for Creative Writing Minor

1. **Core** *(12 hours)*
   - ENGL 334 Creative Writing: Fiction
   - ENGL 335 Creative Writing: Poetry
   - ENGL 460 Form and Theory of Fiction and Poetry
   - ENGL 434 Advanced Fiction Writing OR ENGL 435 Advanced Poetry Writing

2. **Electives** *(9 hours)*
   - Choose from the following
     - ENGL 100 Publication Practicum (1 hour; repeatable to 4 credits)
     - ENGL 360 Creative Nonfiction
     - ENGL 377 Modernism OR ENGL 378 Postmodernism
     - ENGL 402 Editing and Production
     - ENGL 430 Composing Processes
     - ENGL 434 Advanced Fiction Writing (if not taken for core)
     - ENGL 435 Advanced Poetry Writing (if not taken for core)
     - THEA 350 Playwriting
   - Relevant special topics courses are also welcomed as electives as approved by the coordinator.

Requirements for Certification in Teaching Secondary English

If you wish to complete a Maryland State-approved program in teaching English, you must complete the BA/BS in English: Literature Concentration:

1. **Major Core Curriculum** *(15 hours – listed above)*

2. **Certification Requirements:** *(27 hours)*
   - Complete the requirements for the Literature Concentration and take ENGL 276 Adolescent Literature and ENGL 430 The Composing Processes as your required electives. If these courses are not taken as the required electives in the Literature Concentration, you will need to take them as additional six credits.

   - Select the Teacher Certification Option. See the Secondary Education Coordinator for details.
   - Meet the phase admission requirements summarized in the Educational Professions section.
   - Complete the professional education sequence described in Education: Secondary Programs.

3. **Educational Professions Requirements:** *(37 hours)*
   - Students must meet the phase admissions requirements summarized in the Educational Professions section.

Summary of Requirements for the Secondary Teacher Certification Option:

If you wish to complete a Maryland State-approved program in teaching English, you must:

- Complete the BA/BS in English: Literature Concentration
- Take some additional coursework in English to qualify for Maryland State certification and to meet NCATE accreditation standards: ENGL 276, ENGL 416 and ENGL 430.
- Meet the phase admission requirements summarized in the Educational Professions section.
- Declare a second major in Secondary Teacher Education. See the Secondary Teacher Education Program Coordinator for details.
- Complete the professional education sequence described in Education: Secondary Programs.

If you wish to pursue certification for teaching at the secondary level, through a Master of Arts in Teaching degree, you should complete the undergraduate English major and then the Master of Arts in Teaching program. In the English major, you should choose the Literature Concentration. In addition, you must complete the following courses:
ENGL 276  Adolescent Literature  
ENGL 306  English Language Structure and Development  
ENGL 430  The Composing Processes

If the courses listed above are not completed on the undergraduate level, candidates for the Master of Arts in Teaching program may be required to take additional coursework to meet content standards. It is highly recommended that candidates take ENGL 491 Practicum in the Teaching of Writing.

Requirements for Certification in Teaching Secondary English through the Master of Arts in Teaching Degree

If you wish to pursue certification for teaching at the secondary level through a Master of Arts in Teaching degree, you should complete the undergraduate English major and then the Master of Arts in Teaching program. In the English major, you should choose the Literature Concentration and take these courses as your electives:

- ENGL 276  Adolescent Literature
- ENGL 430  The Composing Processes

(If the courses listed above are not completed on the undergraduate level, as a candidate for the Master of Arts in Teaching program, you may be required to take additional coursework to meet content standards.)

1. Complete the Master of Arts in Teaching (graduate) program.