

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

The Department of English offers majors and teacher licensure in creative writing and English. In addition, the department offers minors in creative writing, English, and teaching English as a second language.

The department's programs seek to help students express themselves effectively, especially in writing; develop a respect for and an understanding of language; appreciate and profit from a study of our common literary heritage; increase their awareness of and empathy for diverse peoples and cultures; discover the relevance of ideas and values found in their reading; and learn to think critically and evaluate wisely.

Departmental majors are prepared for a variety of careers in advertising, communications, education, government, management, personnel work, public relations, and sales. A degree in creative writing or English also provides an excellent undergraduate preparation for the student planning to pursue graduate study of business, law, or the humanities.

The degree program in English requires 36 semester hours in English: ENGL 2513, 3013; 3023; 3043; 3313; 3323; 3413; 3423 and four English electives. The English major must also complete four semesters of study in one foreign language.

The degree program in creative writing requires 45 hours in English: ENGL 2043; 2513; a minimum of 3 hours in 2881 and/or 4881-4; 3043; 3083; 3093; 3313; 3323; 3413; 3423; 4093; 4813 and three English electives.

Students who plan to use an English or creative writing degree as a preparation for law school are encouraged to complete some of the following electives in addition to their required courses: BUAD 2033, Legal Environment in Business; PHIL 3103, Logic; CJ 4023, Law and the Legal System; POLS 4043, American Constitutional Law to 1941; POLS 4063, American Constitutional Law 1941-Present; CJ 4053, Criminal Law and the Constitution; SOC/CJ 3043, Crime and Delinquency; SPH 2003, Public Speaking; SPH 2111-2121, Debate Practicum; SPH 4153, Persuasive Theory and Audience Analysis; JOUR 4123, Laws of Communication.

The curricula for teacher licensure in creative writing and English are printed in the catalog section for the School of Education.

Curriculum in English (BA Degree)

	Hours
Freshman Year	
English Composition I, II (ENGL 1013, 1023) ¹	6
Social Sciences ¹	6
Science ¹	4
Algebra for General Education (MATH 1103) ¹	3
Foreign Language ²	8
Physical Activity ¹	2
Elective ⁴	3
Total	32
Sophomore Year	
Social Sciences ¹	6
Fine Arts ¹	3
Science ¹	4
Foreign Language ²	8
Methods of Research (ENGL 2513)	3
English Electives ³	6
Humanities ¹	3
Total	33

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Assistant Professors:
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Instructors:
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Curriculum in English (BA Degree)

Junior Year	
Modern American Literature (ENGL 3323)	3
Advanced Composition (ENGL 3043)	3
American Literature to 1900 (ENGL 3313)	3
British Literature to 1800 (ENGL 3413)	3
British Literature since 1800 (ENGL 3423)	3
Introduction to Linguistics (ENGL 3023)	3
Systems of Grammar (ENGL 3013)	3
Electives ⁴	9
Total	30
Senior Year	
English Elective (3000-4000 level)	6
Electives ⁴	23
Total	29

¹See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements" on page 72.

²All minimum college hours (at least four semesters) should be in one language. Students with previous study in a foreign language should refer to Foreign Language Advanced Placement and Credit under Credit by Examination.

³Any 2-4000 level English courses excluding English 2003, 2013, 2173, 2881, and 4881-4.

⁴Electives must include sufficient upper-level courses to result in a total of 40 hours at the 3000- 4000 level.

Curriculum in Creative Writing (BFA Degree)

Freshman Year		Hours
English Composition I, II (ENGL 1013, 1023) ¹	6	6
Social Sciences ¹	6	6
Science ¹	8	8
Algebra for General Education (MATH 1103) ¹	3	3
Physical Activity ¹	2	2
Electives	6	6
Total	31	
Sophomore Year		
Social Sciences ¹	6	6
Fine Arts ¹	3	3
Humanities ¹	3	3
Introduction to Creative Writing (ENGL 2043)	3	3
Methods of Research (ENGL 2513)	3	3
Advanced Composition (ENGL 3043)	3	3
Practicum: Literary Journal Publication (ENGL 2881) ²	1	1
English Elective ³	6	6
Electives	3	3
Total	31	
Junior Year		
Fiction Workshop (ENGL 3083)	3	3
Poetry Workshop (ENGL 3093)	3	3
British Literature to 1800 (ENGL 3413)	3	3
American Literature to 1900 (ENGL 3313)	3	3
Modern American Literature (ENGL 3323)	3	3
British Literature since 1800 (ENGL 3423)	3	3
Practicum: Literary Journal Publication (ENGL 2881) ²	1	1
Electives	12	12
Total	31	

Curriculum in Creative Writing (BFA Degree)

Senior Year

Seminar in Creative Writing (ENGL 4093)	3
Practicum: Editing Literary Journal (ENGL 4881-4) or Practicum: Literary Journal Publication (ENGL 2881) ²	1
Senior Project in Creative Writing (ENGL 4813)	3
English Elective (3000-4000 level)	3
Electives	21
Total	31

¹See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements" on page 72.

²Students must complete a minimum of three semester hours and may complete a maximum of nine semester hours selected from ENGL 2881 and/or ENGL 4881-4. No more than five semester hours may be ENGL 2881 and no more than six semester hours may be ENGL 4881-4.

³Any 2-4000 level English courses excluding English 2003, 2013, 2113, 2173, 2881, and 4881-4.

The English minor is an excellent complement to any major, allowing students to choose from a wide selection of courses in literature, advanced writing, and linguistics.

Minor English

The minor in English requires 18 hours of English courses:

- ENGL Electives (9 hours, excluding ENGL 1013, 1023, 1043, and 1053)
- ENGL Electives (9 hours of 3000 or 4000 level)

The minor in creative writing provides students who cannot complete a full major with an opportunity to explore their interests in writing.

Minor Creative Writing

The minor in creative writing requires 18 hours of courses:

- ENGL 2043 Introduction to Creative Workshop
- ENGL 3083 Fiction Workshop
- ENGL 3093 Poetry Workshop

and 9 hours selected from the following:

- ENGL 2881, 4881-4 Nebo Practicum
- ENGL 3043 Advanced Composition
- ENGL 4093 Seminar in Creative Writing
- ENGL Electives (any 3000 or 4000 level literature course - ENGL 3203, 3213, 3303, 3313, 3323, 3413, 3423, 4213, 4283, 4383, 4443, 4453, 4483, or 4683)

The minor in teaching English as a second language offers students an opportunity to add this useful specialization to their transcripts.

Minor Teaching English as a Second Language

The minor in teaching English as a second language requires 18 hours of English and foreign language courses:

- ENGL 4023 Second Language Acquisition
- ENGL 4703 Teaching English as a Second Language
- ENGL 4713 ESL Assessment
- ENGL 4723 Teaching People of Other Cultures

and 6 hours selected from the following:

- ENGL 3013 Systems of Grammar
- ENGL, FR, GER, SPAN, SPH 3023 Linguistics
- ENGL 4733 Teaching English in the Secondary School
- FR, GER, SPAN 4703 Foreign Language Teaching Methods