

# 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 2063, 3013 or 3023; 3313; 3323; 3413; 3423 and six 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; 2063; a minimum of 3 hours in 2881 and/or 4881-4; 3083; 3093; 3313; 3323; 3413; 3423; 4093; 4813 and four 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; 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)

| Freshman Year                                                             | Hours     |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| English Composition I, II (ENGL 1013, 1023) <sup>1</sup>                  | 6         |
| Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>                                              | 6         |
| Science <sup>1</sup>                                                      | 4         |
| Algebra for General Education (MATH 1103) <sup>1</sup>                    | 3         |
| Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>                                             | 8         |
| Physical Activity <sup>1</sup>                                            | 2         |
| Elective <sup>4</sup>                                                     | 3         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                              | <b>32</b> |
| <b>Sophomore Year</b>                                                     |           |
| Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>                                              | 6         |
| Fine Arts <sup>1</sup>                                                    | 3         |
| Science <sup>1</sup>                                                      | 4         |
| Foreign Language <sup>2</sup>                                             | 8         |
| Advanced Composition (ENGL 2063)                                          | 3         |
| Systems of Grammar (ENGL 3013) or Introduction to Linguistics (ENGL 3023) | 3         |
| English Electives <sup>3</sup>                                            | 3         |
| Humanities <sup>1</sup>                                                   | 3         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                              | <b>33</b> |

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### Curriculum in English (BA Degree)

| Junior Year                               |           |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| American Literature to 1900 (ENGL 3313)   | 3         |
| Modern American Literature (ENGL 3323)    | 3         |
| British Literature to 1800 (ENGL 3413)    | 3         |
| British Literature since 1800 (ENGL 3423) | 3         |
| English Electives <sup>3</sup>            | 9         |
| Electives <sup>4</sup>                    | 9         |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>30</b> |
| Senior Year                               |           |
| English Elective (3000-4000 level)        | 6         |
| Electives <sup>4</sup>                    | 23        |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>29</b> |

<sup>1</sup>See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements" on page 74.

<sup>2</sup>All 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.

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

<sup>4</sup>Electives 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) <sup>1</sup>         | 6         |
| Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>                                     | 6         |
| Science <sup>1</sup>                                             | 8         |
| Algebra for General Education (MATH 1103) <sup>1</sup>           | 3         |
| Physical Activity <sup>1</sup>                                   | 2         |
| Electives                                                        | 6         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                     | <b>31</b> |
| Sophomore Year                                                   |           |
| Social Sciences <sup>1</sup>                                     | 6         |
| Fine Arts <sup>1</sup>                                           | 3         |
| Humanities <sup>1</sup>                                          | 3         |
| Introduction to Creative Writing (ENGL 2043)                     | 3         |
| Advanced Composition (ENGL 2063)                                 | 3         |
| Practicum: Literary Journal Publication (ENGL 2881) <sup>2</sup> | 1         |
| English Elective <sup>3</sup>                                    | 6         |
| Electives                                                        | 6         |
| <b>Total</b>                                                     | <b>31</b> |
| Junior Year                                                      |           |
| Fiction Workshop (ENGL 3083)                                     | 3         |
| Poetry Workshop (ENGL 3093)                                      | 3         |
| British Literature to 1800 (ENGL 3413)                           | 3         |
| American Literature to 1900 (ENGL 3313)                          | 3         |
| Modern American Literature (ENGL 3323)                           | 3         |
| British Literature since 1800 (ENGL 3423)                        | 3         |
| Practicum: Literary Journal Publication (ENGL 2881) <sup>2</sup> | 1         |
| Electives                                                        | 12        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                     | <b>31</b> |

## 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) <sup>2</sup> | 1         |
| Senior Project in Creative Writing (ENGL 4813)                                                                        | 3         |
| English Elective <sup>3</sup>                                                                                         | 3         |
| English Elective (3000-4000 level)                                                                                    | 3         |
| Electives                                                                                                             | 18        |
| <b>Total</b>                                                                                                          | <b>31</b> |

<sup>1</sup>See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements" on page 74.

<sup>2</sup>Students 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.

<sup>3</sup>Any 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 2063 Advanced Composition

ENGL 4093 Seminar in Creative Writing

ENGL Electives (any 3000 or 4000 level literature course)

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