

# BACHELOR OF ARTS ENGLISH: LITERATURE

## PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Bachelor of Arts degree in English offers a range of courses from literary surveys and period courses to writing classes. Students majoring in English have the opportunity to enhance their understanding of literary history and theory, as well as of individual authors such as Chaucer and Shakespeare. The major has nine required courses, and students choose another five to complete their literary studies. Students may minor in Business and Technical Writing, French, Journalism, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), Spanish, or Women's Studies. These skills open the doorway to many great career opportunities such as publishing, corporate writing, magazine writing, teaching, and a multitude of others.

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in English Literature (B.A.) opens up an exciting array of career opportunities or graduate and professional studies for students who enjoy the critical study of literature; those who want a career in teaching pursue a major in English Education (B.A. Education). Students with English degrees might choose to explore careers in teaching, journalism, publishing, public affairs, marketing, corporate writing, magazine writing, or editing, to name only a few possibilities. The B.A. in English is an effective choice for students who wish to pursue a law degree, and it prepares students for graduate study in English at the master's level. Businesses often hire English majors because the analytical and writing skills that they have developed in studying literature are crucial in the world of business.

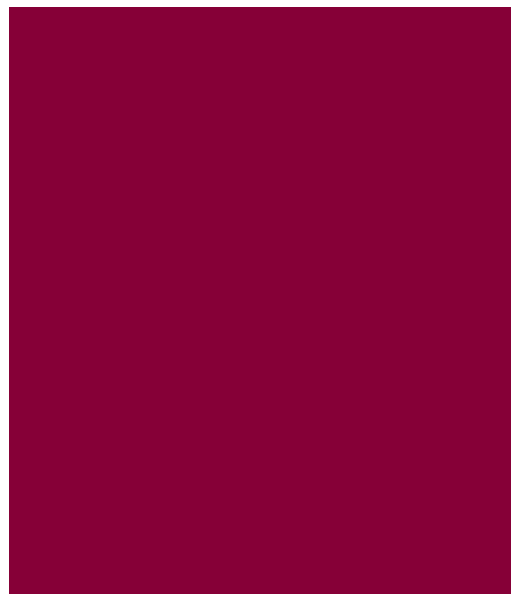


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## CORE Curriculum Requirements

First Year Seminar	1 hour
Written Communication	6 hours
Oral Communication	3 hours
Mathematics	3-4 hours
Humanities with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Fine Arts with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Natural Science with Critical Thinking	3-5 hours
Social Science with Critical Thinking	3 hours
Citizenship	3 hours
Global Aware./Fitness&Wellness/Tech	2-3 hours

## Foundation Courses: 6 credit hours

ENGL 2220	World Literature I	3 hours
ENGL 2221	World Literature II	3 hours

## Major Courses: 15 credit hours

ENGL 2251	Introduction to Literary Studies	3 hours
ENGL 3301	Theories of Language I	3 hours
ENGL 3303	Survey of Amer Lit I	3 hours
ENGL 3313	Survey of British Literature I	3 hours
ENGL 3374	Shakespeare	3 hours

## Literature Concentration: 15 credit hours

ENGL 3304	Survey of Amer Lit II	3 hours
ENGL 3314	Survey of British Literature II	3 hours
ENGL 3320	Literary Criticism	3 hours
ENGL 4400	Senior Seminar	3 hours

Add one of the following:

ENGL 3332	Narrative and Descriptive Writing	3 hours
ENGL 3333	Writing Non-Fiction	3 hours
ENGL 3344	Writing Poetry	3 hours
ENGL 3345	Writing Fiction	3 hours
ENGL 3349	Advanced Technical Communication	3 hours

Literature Electives: 12 credit hours

Must choose one course from each of the following categories:

- British Literature
- American Literature
- Study of Genre
- Studies in Literature and Culture

## Sample Schedule

Students must successfully complete 120 hours for the degree. Schedules vary based on course availability, semester student enters program, and any courses already completed.

<b>First Year, 1st Semester</b> CORE 1st Year Seminar CORE ENGL 1101 ENGL 2251 FREN/SPAN 1101 CORE Citizenship CORE Mathematics	<b>First Year, 2nd Semester</b> CORE ENGL 1102* CORE Social Science CORE Natural Science CORE Fine Arts FREN/SPAN 1102
<b>Second Year, 1st Semester</b> CORE ENGL 2221 CORE Communication ENGL Lit. Elective FREN/SPAN 2201 ENGL Elective	<b>Second Year, 2nd Semester</b> CORE Personal Development ENGL 2220 ENGL 2204 FREN/SPAN 2202 ENGL 2214
<b>Third Year, 1st Semester</b> ENGL 3301 ENGL 3303 ENGL 3313 Minor Minor	<b>Third Year, 2nd Semester</b> ENGL British Elective ENGL American Elective ENGL Genre Elective Minor Minor
<b>Fourth Year, 1st Semester</b> ENGL 3320 ENGL 4400 Minor Minor	<b>Fourth Year, 2nd Semester</b> ENGL 3374 Free Elective Minor Minor

\*These courses are suggested because they fulfill the core requirement and a requirement for the major, and thus enable English majors to fill two requirements with one course. However, one is not required to take these specific courses to fulfill core requirements, which can be met by any course in the approved core curriculum course menu.

Note: This model schedule is a suggested course sequence & is meant to be used as a guide. Students should check the Undergraduate Catalog for their entrance year into Fairmont State University (or any subsequent catalog) to learn more about the graduation requirements for their major.



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