ENGLISH MAJOR

Department of English (https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/english/)
Division of Humanities and Fine Arts

The major in English is the study of the arts of literature. Although the emphasis is on critical analysis of great works, students will also gain an understanding of the historical development of literature written in English. **Every semester, you have the freedom to choose the courses that interest you most, with no required sequences of classes!** Students who major in English at Washington College:

- Indulge their passion for reading and writing
- Benefit from small class sizes and lively discussions
- Become part of a vibrant community of scholars and writers
- Complete flexible course requirements that prepare them for a wide-variety of career options, including writing, editing, teaching, law, and advertising, just to name a few possibilities

English Major Requirements

The English major is the study of the arts of literature and the craft of writing. The English major requires a total of 13 courses, including the SCE, in the following areas:

Code	Title	Credits	Notes
Introductory Courses (3 courses chosen from ENG 100 or any 200-level course)		**12**	_____
1 History Survey at 200-Level			_____
ENG 101 or ENG 200 Level			_____
ENG 200 Level			_____
Select 2 Pre-1800 Literature Courses From Below		**8**	_____
ENG 301	Chaucer		_____
ENG 302	Arthurian Literature		_____
ENG 303	Women Writers to 1800		_____
ENG 320	The Eighteenth Century		_____
ENG 360	Lit. of Eur Colonies of N Am & Early US		_____
ENG 394	Special Topics (in pre-1800 Lit)		_____
or ENG 494	Special Topics		_____
Select 2 Post-1800 Literature Courses From Below		8	_____
ENG 321	Romanticism		_____
ENG 322	The Victorian Age		_____
ENG 323	The 19th Century English Novel		_____
ENG 330	The Rise of Modernism		_____
ENG 331	Modernism and Its Discontents		_____
ENG 332	Modern & Contemporary British Literature		_____
ENG 336	Postcolonial Literature		_____
ENG 340	Women Writers From 1800 to the Present		_____
ENG 341	Native American Literature		_____
ENG 342	Children's & Young Adult Literature		_____
ENG 343	American Short Story		_____
ENG 347	American Environmental Writing		_____
ENG 353	Contemp Am Literature : Living Writers		_____
ENG 361	Literary Romanticism in U.S. I		_____
ENG 362	Literary Romanticism in the U.S. II		_____
ENG 363	Gilded Age & American Realism		_____
ENG 370	The Harlem Renaissance		_____

ENG 371	Faulkner & Modernism in U.S.		_____
ENG 377	2PACalypse Now!		_____
ENG 460	Book History & American Print Culture		_____
ENG 470	Toni Morrison		_____
ENG 471	Black Men & Women: Images		_____
ENG 394	Special Topics		_____
or ENG 494	Special Topics		_____
Upper-Level Electives [2]		**12**	_____
300, 400 Level ENG			_____
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Additional Required Courses		**6-8**	_____
ENG 400	Junior Seminar [3]		_____
ENG SCE	Senior Capstone Experience (2-4 credits)		_____
Total Credits		**46-48**	_____

1 (Students who matriculated prior to Fall 2021 may count ENG 205 Shakespeare I/ENG 206 Shakespeare II as pre-1800 literature courses instead of 200-level courses.)

2 Electives can include up to 4 credits of internships of experiential learning. Up to 2 upper-level Creative Writing workshops may count here.

3 For transfer students with AA degrees, Junior Seminar may be taken either fall o junior year or fall of senior year.

English Major with Education Studies Minor

Students interested in teaching English on the secondary school level may combine the Education Studies minor with the English major. The requirements for the English major are the same, with two differences for these students:

EDU 315 Traditional & Modern Grammar is taken as an upper-level elective

ENG 342 Children's & Young Adult Literature is taken as a post-1800 literature upper-level course

Aspiring teachers should review the checklist on the English department website, follow all guidelines for the Education Studies minor, including courses that count for Social Science distribution requirements, and abide by additional requirements for teacher certification.

Advising note

Students may count up to two courses (8 credits) toward multiple programs in the English department (i.e., toward the English major, Creative Writing minor, and/or Journalism, Editing & Publishing minor).

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Minor

- Creative Writing Minor (https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/english/creative-writing-minor/)
- English Minor (https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/english/english-minor/)
- Journalism, Editing and Publishing Minor (https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/english/journalism-editing-publishing-minor/)

Certificate

- Secondary Education Certification Program (https://catalog.washcoll.edu/catalog/departments-programs/education/secondary-education-certification-program/)