

The Major in English

Requirements	Courses	Hrs.	Description
Foundational Coursework			
CAS Core Requirements and Major Requirements	ENGL 2xxx:_____	3 hrs.	BOTH the 2000-level course and 3000-level Core courses count toward the English major.
	ENGL 3xxx:_____	3 hrs.	
5 x 3000-level courses: • 1 x Culture & Critique • 1 x Form & Genre • 1 x History & Context • 1 x Rhetoric & Argumentation • 1 x free choice	ENGL 3xxx:_____	3 hrs.	Students take 5 courses for 15 hours at the 3000- level. Two of these 3000-level courses should be taken before proceeding to the 4000-level course.
	ENGL 3xxx:_____	3 hrs.	
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Advanced Seminars			
5 x 4000-level courses	ENGL 4xxx:_____	3 hrs.	Students take 5 x 4000- level courses of their choice; no distribution requirements. ¹
	ENGL 4xxx:_____	3 hrs.	
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1 x Senior Seminar	ENGL 4940:_____	3 hrs.	All majors take 4940 in their senior year (fall or spring) ²
Total 36 hrs.			

¹ See next page for information about how concentrations within the major structure a student's 4000-level coursework.

² See next page for exceptions.

Concentrations within the Major

Creative Writing (CW)

Students completing the English major with emphasis in Creative Writing follow the Major curriculum. The difference is that students prioritize Creative Writing courses when completing **Foundational Coursework** distribution requirements at the 3000-level and **Advanced Seminars** at the 4000 level. A total of **TWELVE hours** within Creative Writing courses is required to complete the concentration.

- CW students can count up to **SIX hours** at the 3000-level towards their CW concentration: two Creative Writing courses (ENGL 3000 through 3100) offered within the Form and Genre (FG) category.
- CW students may take **SIX or NINE hours** of additional CW courses at the 4000-level (for example, ENGL 4050: Advanced Poetry Workshop). 4000-level CW courses also fulfill advanced English elective requirements.
- Finally, in addition to taking ENGL 4940: Senior Seminar, CW students submit a portfolio of representative work for assessment prior to graduation.

Rhetoric, Writing and Technology (RWT)

Students completing the English major with emphasis in Rhetoric, Writing and Technology (RWT) follow the Major curriculum. The difference is that students prioritize RWT courses when completing distribution requirements at the 3000-level and Advanced Seminars at the 4000-level. A total of **TWELVE hours** of RWT courses are required to complete the concentration.

Required courses:

- **ENGL 3850:** Foundations in Rhetoric and Writing; this course fulfills the Rhetoric and Argumentation (RA) requirement at the 3000-level.
- **Either ENGL 4020:** History of Rhetoric from Classical Athens until 1700 **or English 4030** History of Rhetoric from 1701 until the present; both courses fulfill 3 hours of the Advanced Seminar requirement within the major.

Electives:

RWT students will also take at least **TWO** additional RWT courses from the following:

- ENGL 3860: Public Rhetoric
- ENGL 3870: Technical Writing
- ENGL 3960: Rhetoric, Reasoning, and Law
- ENGL 3890: Writing Consulting
- ENGL 4000: Business and Professional Writing
- ENGL 4010: New Media Writing
- ENGL 4040: Special Topics in Rhetoric
- ENGL 4080: Adv. Creative Writing: Non-Fiction
- ENGL 4120: Language Studies: Special Topics

Capstone

Instead of ENGL 4940: Senior Seminar, RWT students complete a capstone project with a faculty mentor under **ENGL 4962: RWT Capstone**.

Honors Concentration: Research Intensive English (RIE)

Students admitted to the departmental honors concentration (Research Intensive English) follow the English major curriculum. The difference is that English honors students prioritize RIE seminars (limited to admitted RIE students) when completing their Advanced Seminar requirements at the 4000 level.

- RIE students complete **AT LEAST TWO** RIE seminars to complete this honors concentration.
- In addition to taking ENGL 4940: Senior Seminar, RIE students complete **ENGL 4990: Senior Honors Project** under the supervision of a faculty mentor prior to graduation to complete the concentration. Students may substitute a third RIE seminar for ENGL 4990 to complete the concentration.