

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

ENGLISH

Academics

As an English major, you will not only study literature, but also engage with history, popular culture, digital media, and film. You'll study genre and craft to write memoirs, essays, poems, stories, and scripts. You'll develop critical thinking and analytical skills by exploring and responding to classic and contemporary literature. Discover the ways that culture impacts your understanding of yourself, others, and the world so that you can effect social and political change.

Join one of the most eclectic and diverse English departments in the Big Ten where you can dive deep into a number of interdisciplinary areas like medieval and renaissance studies, ethnic studies or digital humanities as well as more traditional, nationally-focused areas of research like American literature or British literature.

Experience

In the College of Arts and Sciences, we know experience is valuable and goes beyond the classroom. We strive to help you connect your academics with research, internships, education abroad, service learning and leadership experiences. Take advantage of opportunities in English such as:

- Studying abroad at Oxford to learn about Shakespeare's Dramatic Arts
- Serving as an editor for *Laurus*, the student literary magazine
- Interning with HG Literary in New York City
- Researching Willa Cather in the Center for Digital Research in the Humanities
- Volunteering with Nebraska Writer's Collective

Opportunities

We encourage you to match intellectual interests with a meaningful career path. Career planning goes beyond individual course assignments and projects to include internships and other occupational experiences making your undergraduate experience enjoyable and you employable. Here are examples of recent graduates' employment:

- Academic Advisor & Internship Coordinator / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-LINCOLN
- Assistant Acquisitions Editor / UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA PRESS
- Community Organizer / NEBRASKA APPLESEED
- Creative Copy Writer / **NELNET**
- English Teacher / EXETER-MILLIGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
- Literary Agent / VERVE TALENT & LITERARY AGENT
- Litigation Legal Assistant / DVORAK LAW
- Programs Operation Specialist / ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION
- VISTA Program Coordinator / AMERICORPS



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ENGL—SAMPLE 4-YEAR PLAN*

 $\textbf{ACE} = \textbf{Achievement-Centered Education} \qquad \textbf{CDR} = \textbf{College Distribution Requirements}$

FIRST SEMESTER	
Written Texts / Research & Knowledge Skills (ACE 1)	3
Social Sciences (ACE 6)	3
Humanities (outside English department) (ACE 5)	3
CDR: Language	5
Total Hours	14

SECOND SEMESTER	
ENGL 254: Writing & Communities (CDR: Writing)	3
CDR: Humanities (outside English department)	3
Scientific Methods & Knowledge of Natural / Physical World (ACE 4)	3
CDR: Language	5
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	1
Total Hours	15

THIRD SEMESTER	
ENGL 200: Introduction to English Studies	3
English Historical Survey Course	3
Mathematical / Computational / Statistical / Formal Reasoning (ACE 3)	3
CDR: Language	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

FOURTH SEMESTER	
English Early Literature Course	3
English Theory Course	3
English 300- or 400-Level Elective Course	3
CDR: Social Science	3
CDR: Language	3
Total Hours	15

FIFTH SEMESTER	
English Recent Literatures Course	3
CDR: Human Diversity in U.S. Communities	3
Communication Skills (ACE 2)	3
ENGL Diversity / Global Awareness	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

SIXTH SEMESTER	
English 300- or 400-Level Major Concentration Course	3
English Diversity Ethnic Studies Course	3
Ethics / Civics / Stewardship (ACE 8)	3
Fine Arts (ACE 7)	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

SEVENTH SEMESTER	
English 300- or 400-Level Major Concentration Course	3
English 300- or 400-Level Major Concentration Course	3
Global Awareness & Human Diversity (ACE 9)	3
CDR: Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences with Lab	4
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	16

EIGHTH SEMESTER	
ENGL 487: English Capstone Experience (ACE 10)	3
English 300- or 400-Level Major Concentration Course	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Elective / Minor / Secondary Major / Science / Pre-Professional	3
Total Hours	15

*DISCLAIMER: This document represents a sample 4-year plan for degree completion with a major of interest in the College of Arts and Sciences. Actual course selection and sequence may vary and should be discussed individually with an academic advisor at the college and department level.