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UMSL

And your major.

# English BA

*Engaging with and changing the world starts with reading and writing your way through it. The Department of English offers classroom, research, internship, and creative opportunities that will help you critically approach and insightfully analyze the diverse texts and situations you encounter every day. From reading and discussing important literary works, to impressing people with your outstanding writing, to becoming a more critical consumer and composer of digital media, the English BA positions you to advocate for awareness and change in both professional and public spheres. English majors love words, and our department offers insight into wielding their power and using them for the greater good.*

## Career Outlook

With their advanced critical thinking and analytical skills, creative problem solving ability, adaptability across communicative situations, and sensitivity to the diverse needs of different audiences, English majors are uniquely prepared to thrive in any career that places a premium on the creation and interpretation of the written word.

## Future Career Options

- Marketing
- Education
- Law
- Publishing
- Creative writing
- Technical writing
- Content management
- Social media strategy
- Editing
- Public relations

## Skills developed by degree completion

- Demonstrate a strong ability to write clearly and effectively
- Analyze and create texts in multiple modes
- Generate ideas and creatively relate and implement them
- Practice careful attention to audience and situation when reading, writing, speaking, and listening
- Demonstrate informed and nuanced cultural, historical, and global awareness

Recent UMSL English graduates have gone on to pursue many of the opportunities above. Additional possibilities are taken from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. **Contact an advisor to discuss additional future career options.**

4-YEAR ACADEMIC MAP

# Bachelor of Arts in English

Year  
**1**

## FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 1100: First-Year Writing (3)
- MATH 1020: Contemporary Mathematics (3)
- FGN LANG 1001: Language & Culture I (5)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)
- INTDSC 1003: University Studies (1)

## SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 2360: Hey, Have You Read \_\_\_? (3)
- ENGL 2040: Fiction Writing Jumpstart (3)
- FGN LANG 1002: Language & Culture II (5)
- GEN ED CORE: Communication Proficiency (3)
- Elective (1)

Year  
**2**

## FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 2410: Literate Lives (3)
- ENGL 3320: British Literature in the Long 19th Century (3)
- FGN LANG 2101: Language & Culture III (3)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Math & Life/Natural Sciences (3)
- GEN ED CORE: US History & Government (3)

## SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 3710: American Literature Before 1865 (3)
- ENGL 3530: Contemporary World Literature (3)
- GEN ED CORE: Information Literacy (3)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)
- Elective (3)

Year  
**3**

## FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 3090: Writing About Literature (3)
- ENGL 4XXX: English Elective (3)
- ENGL XXXX: English Elective (3)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Social Sciences (3)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Math & Life/Natural Sciences (3)

## SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 4XXX: English Elective (3)
- ENGL XXXX: English Elective (3)
- GEN ED EXPLORE: Math & Life/Natural Sciences (3)
- Cultural Diversity (3)
- Elective (3)

Year  
**4**

## FALL SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 4XXX: English Elective (3)
- ENGL XXXX: English Elective (3)
- Elective (3)
- Elective (3)
- Elective (3)

## SPRING SEMESTER (15 credit hours)

- ENGL 4XXX: English Elective (3)
- Elective (3)
- Elective (3)
- Elective (3)
- Elective (3)



**Degree completed!**

## 2023-2024 4-YEAR ACADEMIC MAP

This is a sample academic map for the courses to take each academic semester/session. ***This map is not a substitute for academic advisement.*** Contact your advisor when making final selections.



### – University Studies

is required for all first-year students and those with less than 24 credit hours.



### – Milestone courses

should be taken in the order shown to ensure you stay on a timely and accurate path toward graduation.



– **Summer and Intersession courses** Don't forget that summers and winter breaks are a way to fast-track your route to degree completion – and lighten your load during fall and spring!



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