

Four-Year Degree Advice: English

The Bachelor of Arts in English has two parts: Core courses and Courses by Category.

The **Core** courses (12 hours) are designed to give students a solid grounding and broad appreciation of canonical texts and major movements in US and British Literature, and to equip them with the essential skills of literary analysis and academic writing. We require incoming freshmen to take ENGL 1900: Introduction to Literary Analysis, in their first 30 hours. We recommend taking ENGL 2020: British Literature I and ENGL 2030: British Literature II in sequence during the fall and spring of Sophomore year.

The Courses by **Category** are designed to give students intellectual and literary range and to tailor the degree to their evolving interests. Students will choose one 3-hour course in each of the following categories: Genre, Author, Social Issues, Global, History and Criticism, and Advanced Writing. They will also complete 6 hours of ENGL electives. All English students must complete at least 12 credit hours at the 3000-4000 level.

We also highly encourage our students to complete ENGL 2000: What's Next? The English Major After Graduation (1 hour), by the end of Sophomore year. Students get practical advice and experience in career-planning, build professional networks, and create an individualized approach to their upcoming job search.

The English Department encourages experiential learning through our Practicum courses. Practicum courses can range from research assistantships to social media to promotions to event planning to editing, all for course credit. Qualified off-campus internships can also earn you on-campus credit hours in our Practicum program.

Our 36-hour standard degree program in English leaves room in your Webster University experience for a double major, a minor or certificate, and study abroad. Most of our students graduate with more than 36 hours of ENGL courses. Students seeking Honors in English need to complete additional requirements. See your advisor or our Academic Resources page for more information.

All English Department majors are required to complete the Global Citizenship Program (GCP) and complete at least 3 hours of Foreign Language credit (or test out of that requirement). All Webster University students are required to complete a minimum of 120 credit hours for the bachelor's degree.

Example 4-year Degree Track: English

(Note: Example Degree Tracks are just examples. All students should consult regularly with their advisors to plan their individual progress through the degree.)

Freshman Fall: 15 hours

Freshman Seminar	3 hours
ENGL 1900: Introduction to Literary Analysis (CORE)	3 hours
ENGL Elective (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Roots of Culture (GCP)	3 hours
Foreign Language	3 hours

Freshman Spring: 15 hours

ENGL 2050: US Writers (CORE)	3 hours
ENGL Elective (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Roots of Culture (GCP)	3 hours
Social Systems and Human Behavior (GCP)	3 hours
Physical and Natural World (GCP)	3 hours

Sophomore Fall: 15 hours

ENGL 2020: British Literature I (CORE)	3 hours
ENGL Genre (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Social Systems and Human Behavior (GCP)	3 hours
Quantitative Literacy (GCP)	3 hours
Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.	3 hours

Sophomore Spring: 15-16 hours

ENGL 2030: British Literature II (CORE)	3 hours
ENGL Author (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Arts Appreciation (GCP)	3 hours

ENGL 2000: What's Next?	1 hour
Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.	5-6 hours

Junior Fall: 15 hours

Study Abroad	15 hours
OR	
ENGL Social Issues (CATEGORY)	3 hours
ENGL Advanced Writing (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Global Understanding (GCP)	3 hours
Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.	6 hours

Junior Spring: 15 hours

Study Abroad	15 hours
OR	
ENGL Social Issues (CATEGORY)	3 hours
ENGL Advanced Writing (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Keystone (GCP)	3 hours
Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.	6 hours

Senior Fall: 15 hours

ENGL Global (CATEGORY)	3 hours
Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.	12 hours

Senior Spring: 15 hours

ENGL 4600: Portfolio Review	0 hours
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ENGL History & Criticism (CATEGORY)

3 hours

Unassigned hours: Electives, Practicum, Minor, etc.

12 hours