

LITERATURE MAJOR (B.A.)

English courses emphasize the close reading of texts, the study of particular authors and genres, questions of critical theory and method, and the relationship of literary works to their historical periods and other disciplines. The department seeks not only to foster analytical reading and lucid writing but also to stimulate thought about the nature of human experience. In order to be servant leaders, students must be articulate, they must be able to think critically and analytically, and they must have a grounding in humane thought and letters in order to understand the historical and philosophical contexts of today's world.

Apart from such global rewards of studying literature, a degree in English-language literature offers intensive training in skills essential to the contemporary job market. Graduates of Seton Hall University's English program have gone on to graduate programs and to successful careers in writing and editing, publishing, teaching, law, business and media.

In addition to the literature major, the creative writing major, and the writing major, the department also offers a literature minor, a writing minor, and a creative writing minor, each 18 credits and available to students of any major. At the graduate level, the Department of English offers a Master of Arts (M.A.) designed for present or prospective teachers of English on the secondary or college level, for students contemplating the Ph.D., for those interested in creative writing, and for those already involved in careers in publishing, business, writing or media. English majors who qualify for the Dual Degree B.A./M.A. program in English can complete the M.A. degree in one year beyond their B.A. See description below.

Major Requirements

To declare an English major, students must have a 2.5 minimum GPA in ENGL 1201 Core English I and ENGL 1202 Core English II, or gain permission of the Chair of the Department of English. Core English I and II are prerequisites for all advanced English courses.

Note: ENGL 2103 American Literature I and ENGL 2104 American Literature II can be used toward the Humanities requirement of the College of Arts and Sciences Core Curriculum as well as the requirements of the English major.

Link to College Core requirement (<http://catalogue.shu.edu/undergraduate/college-arts-sciences/core-curriculum/>).

Code	Title	Hours
Introductory Requirements		
ENGL 2103 & ENGL 2104	American Literature I and American Literature II	6
ENGL 2111 & ENGL 2112	British Literature I and British Literature II	6
ENGL 2204	Introduction to Literary Studies	3
ENGL 2205	Literary Genres and Precedents	3
Advanced Requirements		
ENGL 5011	Senior Seminar for Literature	3
Select one course in each of five categories: *		15
British (pre-1800) (p. 1)		
British (post-1800) (p. 1)		
American (p. 1)		
Thematic/Comparative (p. 1)		

Writing (p. 1)

Total Hours **36**

* Students also pursuing a Writing Minor must still take a course in the Writing category.

British (pre-1800)

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 6114	Shakespeare I	3
ENGL 6115	Shakespeare II	3
ENGL 6123	Eighteenth Century Literature	3

British (post-1800)

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 6124		3
ENGL 6125		3
ENGL 6126	Major Brit Writers 1900-1945	3
ENGL 6127	Maj Brit Writers from 1945	3
ENGL 6311	English Novel Begin to 19 Cent	3
ENGL 6313	Modern British Drama	3

American

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 6211	Early American Literature	3
ENGL 6212	American Romanticism	3
ENGL 6213		3
ENGL 6214		3
ENGL 6215	Maj Amer writers From 1945	3
ENGL 6216	American Poetry	3
ENGL 6217		3

Thematic/Comparative

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 6010	Intro-Literary Research *	3

* Students are advised to take this course as soon as possible after entering the dual degree program.

Writing

Code	Title	Hours
ENGL 6411	Poetry Workshop	3
ENGL 6412	Modern Rhetoric and Writing	3
ENGL 6413	Fiction Workshop	3
ENGL 6414	Scientific and Tech Writing	3
ENGL 6415	Composition Theory and Pract	3
ENGL 6420	Linguistic History of English	3
ENGL 6421	Non-Fiction Workshop	3

Note: English Education double majors should take the following courses for 9 of the 15 credits in upper-level electives:

- for British pre-1800: ENGL 3312 Shakespeare Shakespeare
- for Thematic/Comparative: ENGL 3115 Literature of Adolescence or ENGL 3116 Children's Literature

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- for Writing: ENGL 3620 History of the English Language.
- English Education majors are also advised to take 3 more credits in advanced writing as a general elective.

Successful completion of a Department of English version of CORE 3XXX: Engaging the World will count as a literature elective as well as toward the University Core. A list of these courses can be found in the English Majors Blackboard course.