ENGLISH, B.S.

REQUIREMENTS

UNIVERSITY GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

All undergraduate students at the University of Wisconsin–Madison are required to fulfill a minimum set of common university general education requirements to ensure that every graduate acquires the essential core of an undergraduate education. This core establishes a foundation for living a productive life, being a citizen of the world, appreciating aesthetic values, and engaging in lifelong learning in a continually changing world. Various schools and colleges will have requirements in addition to the requirements listed below. Consult your advisor for assistance, as needed. For additional information, see the university Undergraduate General Education Requirements (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/#requirementsforundergraduatestudytext) section of the Guide.

General Education

- Breadth—Humanities/Literature/Arts: 6 credits
- Breadth—Natural Science: 4 to 6 credits, consisting of one 4- or 5-credit course with a laboratory component; or two courses providing a total of 6 credits
- Breadth—Social Studies: 3 credits
- Communication Part A & Part B *
- Ethnic Studies *
- Quantitative Reasoning Part A & Part B *

* The mortarboard symbol appears before the title of any course that fulfills one of the Communication Part A or Part B, Ethnic Studies, or Quantitative Reasoning Part A or Part B requirements.

COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS: BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.)

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in the College of Letters & Science must complete all of the requirements below. The College of Letters & Science allows this major to be paired with either the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degree requirements.

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Mathematics

Complete two courses of 3+ credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level in MATH, COMP SCI, or STAT subjects. A maximum of one course in each of COMP SCI and STAT subjects counts toward this requirement.

Foreign Language

Complete the third unit of a foreign language.

L&S Breadth

Complete:
- 12 credits of Humanities, which must include at least 6 credits of Literature; and
- 12 credits of Social Science; and
- 12 credits of Natural Science, which must include 6 credits of Biological Science and 6 credits of Physical Science.

Liberal Arts and Science Coursework

Complete at least 108 credits.

Depth of Intermediate/Advanced Coursework

Complete at least 60 credits at the Intermediate or Advanced level.

Major

Declare and complete at least one major.

Total Credits

Complete at least 120 credits.

UW-Madison Experience

Complete both:
- 30 credits in residence, overall, and
- 30 credits in residence after the 86th credit.

Quality of Work

- 2.000 in all coursework at UW–Madison
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**Pre-1800 course (two course)** 6

You may take one (only) Shakespeare course:
- ENGL 219 Shakespearean Drama
- ENGL 220 Shakespearean Drama
- ENGL 431 Early Works of Shakespeare
- ENGL 432 Later Works of Shakespeare

You must take at least one course that is not Shakespeare:
- ENGL 328 The Sixteenth Century
- ENGL 331 Seventeenth-Century Literature and Culture
- ENGL 335 Stage and Page in the Long Eighteenth Century
- ENGL 336 Eighteenth-Century Novel
- ENGL/HISTORY/RELIG ST 360 The Anglo-Saxons
- ENGL 422 Outstanding Figure(s) in Literature before 1800
- ENGL/medieval 423 Topic in Medieval Literature and Culture
- ENGL/medieval 424 Medieval Drama
- ENGL/medieval 425 Medieval Romance
- ENGL/medieval 426 Chaucer's Courtly Poetry
- ENGL/medieval 427 Chaucer's Canterbury Tales
- ENGL 430 Topic in Early Modern Literature and Culture

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**Seminar**
- ENGL 245 Seminar in the Major

**Language or Composition & Rhetoric (1 course)** 3
- ENGL 204 Studies in Writing, Rhetoric, and Literacy
- ENGL 214 The English Language
- ENGL 304 Composition & Rhetoric In and Beyond the University
- ENGL 400 Advanced Composition
- ENGL/GEN&WS 401 Race, Sex, and Texts (How to do things with writing)
- ENGL 403 Seminar on Tutoring Writing Across the Curriculum
- ENGL 500 Writing in Workplaces
- ENGL 501 Writing Internship
- ENGL 505 Topics in Composition and Rhetoric

**Electives** 9
- any course from ENGL 204-699

**Total Credits** 30

Note: 1 excluding ENGL 207 and ENGL 236.

**NAMED OPTIONS**
Students may complete a named option, instead of the traditional English major. These are formally printed on the transcript.

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- **ENGLISH: EMPHASIS ON CREATIVE WRITING**
  (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/english/english-ba/english-emphasis-creative-writing-ba/)
- **ENGLISH: ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LINGUISTICS**
  (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/english/english-ba/english-language-linguistics-ba/)

**RESIDENCE AND QUALITY OF WORK**
2.000 GPA in all ENGL courses and all major courses

2.000 GPA on at least 15 credits of upper-level work in the major, taken in residence

15 credits in ENGL, taken on the UW-Madison campus
Intermediate and Advanced level ENGL courses are considered upper level in the major.

HONORS IN THE MAJOR

Students may declare Honors in the Major in consultation with the English undergraduate advisor. These requirements apply to the traditional English major or the English: English Languages and Linguistics named option. To be eligible to declare Honors in the Major, students must:

- Complete ENGL 241, ENGL 242, or ENGL 243
- Complete one additional course in the major
- Have completed at least 6 credits in the Department of English
- Have established a 3.500 GPA for all ENGL courses

HONORS IN THE ENGLISH MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

To earn Honors in the Major in English, students must satisfy both the requirements for the major (above) and the following additional requirements:

- Earn a 3.300 University GPA
- Earn a 3.500 GPA in all ENGL courses and all major courses
- Complete 12 credits, taken for Honors, with a grade of B or better to include:
  - ENGL 245 or ENGL 381
  - ENGL 481, and
  - Either:
    - a two-semester Senior Honors Thesis in ENGL 681 and ENGL 682 for a total of 6 credits, or
    - a senior Honors project that includes ENGL 680 and one other 3-credit I/A ENGL course taken for Honors

HONORS IN THE ENGLISH MAJOR REQUIREMENTS, CREATIVE WRITING OPTION

To earn Honors in the Major in English–Creative Writing Option, students must satisfy the Option requirements (above) and the following additional requirements:

- Earn a 3.300 University GPA
- Earn a 3.500 GPA in all ENGL courses and all major courses
- Complete Sophomore Honors-Research Methods (for Honors) with a grade of B or better: ENGL 245 or ENGL 381
- Complete ENGL 481 with a grade of B or better, and
- One Advanced Level Creative Writing Workshop for Honors, with a grade of B or better taken from: ENGL 407, ENGL 408, ENGL 409, ENGL 410, ENGL 411, ENGL 508, ENGL 509
- Directed Creative Writing: ENGL 695

UNIVERSITY DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

To receive a bachelor’s degree from UW–Madison, students must earn a minimum of 120 degree credits. The requirements for some programs may exceed 120 degree credits. Students should consult with their college or department advisor for information on specific credit requirements.