Nebraska Wesleyan University

Catalog 2017-2018

Major:

English (B.A.)

The B.A. in English requires basic coursework in literature, writing, and language theory, and provides flexibility to students in pursuing additional courses that match their areas of interest and career goals. It can lead to graduate study in English, creative writing, law, or other academic or professional areas.

Foreign language study is strongly encouraged for all English majors.

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Departments/Programs:

English

English Major (B.A., 41 hours)**

| Core Courses | 16 hours |
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| ENG 2000 Introduction to Textual Studies | 4 hours |
| Language Theory (choose 4 credit hours from the following): | |
| ENG 2510 Introduction to Linguistics ENG 2520 History of English ENG 2600 Introduction to Ancient Rhetoric ENG 3530 Studies in Linguistics ENG 3630 Studies in Rhetoric | 4 hours |
| Literature (choose 4 credit hours from the following): | 4 hours |

Literature (choose 4 credit hours from the following):

- ENG 2050 Introduction to British Literature • ENG 2070 Introduction to U.S. Literature
- ENG-2400
- ENG 3000 Shakespeare
- ENG-3200
- ENG 3210 Chaucer
- ENG-3230
- ENG-3240
- ENG-3250
- ENG 3260 Greek Drama
- ENG-3280
- ENG-3310
- ENG-3320
- ENG 3360 Modern Novel
- ENG-3370
- ENG 3410 Women Writing Across Cultures
- ENG 3500 Postcolonial and Global Literature
- ENG 3800 African-American Literature

Core Courses 16 hours

Writing (choose 4 credit hours from the following):

- ENG 2170 Introduction to Fiction Writing
- ENG 2190 Introduction to Poetry Writing
- ENG 3020 Studies in Writing: Risk Fiction
- ENG 3030 Studies in Writing: Writing the Body
- ENG 3150 Professional and Community Writing
- ENG 3170 Advanced Fiction Writing: Finding Your Voice
- ENG 3190 Advanced Topics in Poetry Writing
- JOURN-2610
- JOURN-2620

Experiential Learning

1 hour

4 hours

Select one course from:

- EDUC 3600 Student Teaching for English Language Learning
- EDUC 4870 Supervised Teaching in the Secondary School
- ENG 2970 Internship
- ENG 4970 Capstone Internship
- JOURN-2690
- JOURN-2970
- JOURN-4970

With permission of the instructor and chair, students may also apply other experiential learning courses (e.g., MLANG-3910; IDS-3200-3290 Experiential Learning in the Threads, or IDS 3010 Archway Seminar Student Instructors if they can demonstrate relevance to the English major.

Electives

18 hours

Select from any English or Journalism course. Six hours must be upper level (3000-4000 level). May also include THTRE-2000, for up to three credit hours, and THTRE 2810 Playwriting I, or may include the following Education courses: ENG 2690/EDUC 2690 Young Adult Literature, EDUC 3390 Methods for Teaching Reading and Writing in 7-12, and EDUC 3600 Student Teaching for English Language Learning). Only one Topics in World Literature course (ENG 2200, ENG-2210, ENG 2220, ENG 2230, ENG 2240, ENG 2250, ENG 2260, ENG 2270, ENG 2280) may be counted towards the English major.

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| ENG-4980 | | ENG-4980 |
| ENG 4990 Senior Capstone | | 4 hours |

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First-year writing courses (ENG 1010FYW, ENG 1020FYW, ENG 1030FYW, ENG 1040FYW, ENG-1050FYW, ENG-1060FYW, ENG-1070FYW, ENG-1080FYW, and ENG-1090FYW) may not count toward an English major.

Students who wish to meet Nebraska certification regulation for the teaching of English in secondary schools may include ENG 2690 Young Adult Literature and ENG 3260 Greek Drama as electives within the major. Students should consult the Department of Education regarding additional Nebraska certification requirements.

**An English major customarily earns a B.A. degree. However, if a student has a first major that is associated with a different baccalaureate degree, the English major may serve as a second major for the degree associated with the first major (B.S., B.FA., B.M., B.S.N.).