

ABOUT THE MAJOR

English majors receive advanced training writing (both scholarly and creative), rhetoric, professional editing, literary analysis, cultural and historical studies, and critical thinking. You’ll become a sophisticated reader, writer, and editor of texts. While other majors may provide you with skills related to a specific vocation, English majors are equipped to be adaptable for work in many different career fields. Recent graduates in English have been admitted into law school and graduate schools in English, Creative Writing, Professional and Technical Writing, and Education. English majors secure jobs in a variety of fields, including all areas of business (such as marketing, communications, and public relations), computer- related fields, editing and publishing, public and private education, library sciences, and creative writing.

ABOUT THIS MAP

This program map is intended ONLY as a guide for students to plan their course of study. It does NOT replace any information in the Undergraduate Catalog, which is the official guide for completing degree requirements. Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UWG, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

WHERE CAN YOU GO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Advertising Manager
- Archivist
- Copywriter
- Editor
- English Teacher
- ESL Teacher
- Interpreter or Translator
- Public Relations Specialist
- Technical Writer
- Web Content Specialist

ADD A CERTIFICATE

- Advertising
- Communication in the Workplace
- Discipline Specific Writing
- Museum Studies
- Public History
- Publishing and Editing

HONORS COLLEGE

Consider joining if you have an Overall GPA of 3.2 and earned 15 college credit hours!



ENGLISH

Bachelor of Arts

60

CORE CREDIT HOURS

30

MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

30

ELECTIVE CREDIT HOURS

Visit westga.edu/program-maps for the latest version of this major map.



VISIT WOLFWATCH FOR MORE INFORMATION.



HAVE A QUESTION? CHECK IN WITH YOUR ADVISOR!



UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA

2025-2026

TERM 1: FALL

C1: ENGL 1101 3 CREDIT HOURS
English Composition I

M: MATH 1001 OR 1111 3 CREDIT HOURS
Quantitative Skills & Reasoning or College Algebra

S1: HIST 1111 OR 1112 3 CREDIT HOURS
World History

A1: FINE ARTS 3 CREDIT HOURS

S2: SOCIAL SCIENCE 3 CREDIT HOURS

- MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 1101 WITH C OR BETTER
 - EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

TERM 2: SPRING

C2: ENGL 1102 3 CREDIT HOURS
English Composition II

A2: FL 1001 3 CREDIT HOURS
(Recommended) Elementary Foreign Language I

P2: POLS 1101 3 CREDIT HOURS
American Government

P1: HIST 2111 OR 2112 3 CREDIT HOURS
US History

I1: ORAL COMMUNICATIONS 3 CREDIT HOURS

- MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 1102 WITH C OR BETTER
 - EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

15 FALL CREDIT HOURS + 15 SPRING CREDIT HOURS
= 30 CREDIT HOURS

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Visit the University Writing Center as you finish your First Year Writing sequence.
- Learn about the resources available at Ingram Library.
- Get started on your language requirement by a class in Spanish, French, or German.

FIND YOUR PLACE

- Go to an on-campus reading by a visiting author or attend an on-campus film festival.
- Talk to your English faculty mentor.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- Explore diversity, equity, and inclusion resources and opportunities across campus.
- Check out the education abroad office.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Visit Wolves Vote to learn about the voting process and registration.
- Consider volunteering for a campaign or organization in your community.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Visit the UWG Wellness Hub to find all the resources available to you!
- Visit Health Services.
- Get fit! Visit URec to see all your options.
- Visit the Center for Economic Education and Financial Literacy.

PAVE YOUR PATH

- Complete a self-assessment to see what careers and majors are right for you.
- Visit Office of Career and Graduate School Connections.
- Create your profile on Handshake.
- Consider applying for an on-campus job.

TERM 1: FALL

F: ENGL 2060, 2120, 2130, 2180, OR 2190* 3 CREDIT HOURS
Intro to Creative Writing, Brit Lit, American Lit, African American Lit, or Lit by Women

F: ENGL 2001 3 CREDIT HOURS
Introduction to Literature

F: FL 1002 3 CREDIT HOURS
Elementary Foreign Language II

T1: SCIENCE + LAB 4 CREDIT HOURS

I2: INSTITUTIONAL OPTIONS 2 CREDIT HOURS

- MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 2001
 - COMPLETE FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT
 - EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

TERM 2: SPRING

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F: ENGL 2110 3 CREDIT HOURS
World Literature

ENGL 3000 3 CREDIT HOURS
Research & Methodology

T3: STEM COURSE 3 CREDIT HOURS

- MILESTONES:
- COMPLETE ENGL 2110, COMPLETE AREA F
 - EARN 15 OR MORE CREDIT HOURS

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- Option*
- 3 hours Max in Field of Study (F) may be FREN/GRMN/SPAN 2001 or XIDS 2300-Intro to Linguistics

CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Take ENGL 3000 (Research and Methodology) and start.
- Consider doing an internship in a field you want to learn more about.

FIND YOUR PLACE

- Participate in events sponsored by English Club.
- Apply to work on *LURE*, our student research journal, or submit work to the journal.
- Talk with your mentor about research opportunities and career options.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- In a student organization? Suggest you all complete an implicit bias workshop.
- Consider a study abroad program. Check out students' stories of their experiences.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Complete an internship in your field.
- Consider a summer or part-time job.
- Ask your department about networking opportunities with alumni.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Take a fitness class, climb the rock wall, or join an intramural team.
- Consider whether counseling is right for you: take a mental health screening.

PAVE YOUR PATH

- Draft your resume and attend a resume blitz.
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- Draft your personal statement.
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TERM 1: FALL

ENGL 4000 3 CREDIT HOURS
Studies in British Lit. I

ENGL 4002 3 CREDIT HOURS
Studies in British Lit. II

T2: NON-LAB SCIENCE 3 CREDIT HOURS

MINOR/ELECTIVE 3 CREDIT HOURS

MINOR/ELECTIVE 3 CREDIT HOURS

MILESTONE:
• COMPLETE CORE IMPACTS

TERM 2: SPRING

ENGL 4003 3 CREDIT HOURS
Studies in American Lit. I

ENGL 4005 3 CREDIT HOURS
Studies in American Lit. II

ENGL COURSE 3 CREDIT HOURS
3000/4000 level ENGL course

MINOR/ELECTIVE 3 CREDIT HOURS

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MILESTONE:
• COMPLETE LITERARY HISTORY REQUIREMENT

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Additional Information:
• Students need to take all four literary history courses (English 4000, 4002, 4003, 4005), but they may take these courses in any order.

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- Consider doing an internship in a field you want to learn more about.

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TERM 2: SPRING

ENGL 4384 3 CREDIT HOURS
Senior Seminar

ENGL COURSE 3 CREDIT HOURS
3000/4000 level ENGL course

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CRUSH YOUR COURSEWORK

- Present your research at the School of Humanities Undergraduate Conference or Scholar's Day.
- Complete Senior Seminar.

FIND YOUR PLACE

- Consider a leadership role in English Club or one of our journals.
- Talk with your mentor about your plans for after graduation.

BROADEN YOUR PERSPECTIVES

- Assess your cultural competency.
- Consider working abroad and research visa regulations.
- Explore practices of creating more inclusive careers.

CONNECT OFF-CAMPUS

- Ask for advice from professionals in your field of interest.
- Explore career shadowing opportunities.

TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF

- Explore a farmer's market for fresh produce.
- Develop a post-graduation exercise plan.
- Explore your loan repayment options and complete your exit counseling.

PAVE YOUR PATH

- Request references from professors and supervisors.
- Draft your resume cover letter and personal statement and revise it with career services.
- Attend business fairs and career fairs at UWG and across the state.
- Attend an interview workshop.
- Apply for graduate programs.