

Bachelor of Arts in English

The Department of English at CSUSB is a vibrant community of teachers, scholars, and writers committed to the interdisciplinary exploration and development of English Studies. Our B.A. in English integrates four distinct approaches that are rarely united in English programs: literary studies, creative writing, linguistics, and rhetoric/writing studies. Students in our program gain an in-depth understanding of the imaginative, discursive, and practical aspects of language, as they read, interpret, synthesize, and write texts of various kinds. With this background, our graduates are prepared for careers in writing, business, public relations, advertising, technology, public health, teaching, and many other fields. They can also pursue graduate studies in a wide variety of disciplines, including law and medicine. Additionally, our graduates will find themselves well-prepared to take on the responsibilities of civic and community engagement.

The English major consists of a common, multidisciplinary core, and a choice of four concentrations that allow students to focus their coursework in literature, linguistics, creative writing, or rhetoric/writing studies. As a fifth option, the Department offers an individualized concentration where students, under the direction of a faculty advisor and with the approval of a faculty committee, can create their own course of study based on their personal and professional interests.

Requirements (48 units)

Total units required for graduation: 120

Requirements for the B.A. in English

Lower-division requirements (18)

ENG 2000	Introduction to English Studies	3
ENG 2100	Historical Approaches to English Literature	3
ENG 2250	Historical Approaches to American Literature	3
ENG 2300	Historical Approaches to British Literature	3
ENG 2400	Writing in the Public Sphere	3
ENG 2500	Introduction to Creative Writing Studies	3

Upper-division requirements (15)

ENG 3010	Analysis of Poetry and Drama	3
ENG 3030	Analysis of Fiction and Nonfiction Prose	3
ENG 3110	Introduction to Linguistics	3
ENG 3750	Studies in Literary Theory	3
ENG 5160	Professional Pathways for English Majors	3

Concentration (18)

Students must satisfy the requirements of one of the concentrations 18 listed below:

Total Units 51

Concentrations (18 units)

Students must complete 18 units from one of the following concentrations. Note: if an elective for the concentration is also a GE course, the course may count as both an elective for the concentration and for GE credit.

Creative Writing Concentration (18 units)

(Program Code: ENCW)

ENG 3500	Literary Movements: Aesthetics and Craft	3
Three units chosen from:		3
ENG 4170	Poetry Writing Workshop	
ENG 4180	Fiction Writing Workshop	
ENG 5300	Creative Nonfiction	
ENG 5130	Advanced Creative Writing in Specialized Genres	3
Three units chosen from:		3
ENG 5110	Creative Writing in the Secondary Classroom	
ENG 5430A	Literary Production I	
ENG 5430B	Literary Production II	
Any upper-division creative writing course		
ENG 5190	Creative Writing: Thesis and Performance	3
Three English elective units chosen from:		3
ENG 5751	Internship in English	
ENG 5752	Internship in English	
ENG 5753	Internship in English	
ENG 5020	English Study Abroad	
ENG 5010	Media Performance Practicum	
ENG 5170	Honors Project	
ENG 5180	Research Project	
ENG 5030	English Practicum	
Any upper-division English course		

Total Units 18

Linguistics Concentration (18 units)

(Program Code: ELNG)

ENG 3210	Language, Thought, and Culture	3
ENG 3220	English Grammar	3
Three units chosen from:		3
ENG 3310	Child Language and Literacy Development	
ENG 3320	Second Language Acquisition	
Six units chosen from:		6
ENG 5210	Introduction to Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	
ENG 5220	Language and Speech Science	
ENG 5230	Grammar and Discourse	
ENG 5240	Sociolinguistics	
ENG 5250	Child Language Disorders	
ENG 5260	Phonetics and Phonology	
ENG 5270	Studies in Language and Linguistics	
Three English elective units chosen from:		3
ENG 5751	Internship in English	
ENG 5752	Internship in English	
ENG 5753	Internship in English	
ENG 5020	English Study Abroad	
ENG 5010	Media Performance Practicum	
ENG 5170	Honors Project	
ENG 5180	Research Project	
ENG 5030	English Practicum	

Any upper-division English course

Total Units 18**Literature Concentration (18 units)**

(Program Code: ENLT)

Twelve units chosen from: 12

ENG 3000	Studies in Global Literatures
ENG 3200	Literature for Children and Young Adults
ENG 3140	Native American and Indigenous Literatures
ENG 3150	Studies in a Literary Genre
ENG 3190	Studies in Literary Diversity
ENG 3230	Chicana/o Literature
ENG 3240	Studies in Literary Topics
ENG 3250	Asian American Literature
ENG 3260	Caribbean Literature
ENG 3330	Myth and Epic
ENG 3350	Studies in the Novel
ENG 3360	Women Writers
ENG 3390	African American Literature
ENG 3410	Environmental Literature
ENG 3700	Turning Points in Literary History
ENG 4750	Shakespeare and Renaissance Drama
ENG 4010	English Literature of the Middle Ages
ENG 4030	English Literature of the Tudor/Stuart Era
ENG 4060	Seventeenth Century Literature
ENG 4090	English Literature of the Restoration and Eighteenth Century
ENG 4120	Romantic Literature
ENG 4150	Victorian Literature
ENG 4400	Studies in a Literary Period or Movement
ENG 4410	Studies in a Major Authors
ENG 4420	Modern Poetry
ENG 4430	Contemporary Poetry
ENG 4470	Modern Fiction
ENG 4480	Contemporary Fiction
ENG 4630	Advanced Studies in Literary Topics

Three units from: 3

ENG 5150	Senior Seminar in Literature
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Three English elective units chosen from: 3

ENG 5751	Internship in English
ENG 5752	Internship in English
ENG 5753	Internship in English
ENG 5020	English Study Abroad
ENG 5010	Media Performance Practicum
ENG 5170	Honors Project
ENG 5180	Research Project
ENG 5030	English Practicum

Any upper-division English course

Total Units 18**Rhetoric and Writing Studies Concentration (18 units)**

(Program Code: ERWS)

ENG 3070	Theories of Public and Professional Writing	3
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ENG 3290	Introduction to Literacy and Writing Studies	3
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Six units chosen from: 6

ENG 3600	Studies in Writing
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ENG 3610	Studies in Literacy
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ENG 3620	Studies in Rhetoric
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Three units chosen from: 3

ENG 3300	Tutoring Writing: Theory and Practice
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ENG 5100	Teaching English in the Secondary Schools
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ENG 5140	Community-Based Writing
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Three English elective units chosen from: 3

ENG 5751	Internship in English
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ENG 5752	Internship in English
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ENG 5753	Internship in English
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ENG 5020	English Study Abroad
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ENG 5010	Media Performance Practicum
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ENG 5170	Honors Project
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ENG 5180	Research Project
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ENG 5030	English Practicum
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Any upper-division English course

Total Units 18**Self-Directed Study Concentration (18 units)**

(Program Code: ESDS)

To be eligible for the Self-Directed Study Concentration, students must write a proposal for their program plan, including all of the courses that they intend to take in the concentration and a rationale for the course of study. The proposal will be vetted by an English faculty committee before a student can be approved for this concentration. Before declaring this concentration, a student must have completed the following core classes: ENG 2000, ENG 2400, ENG 2500, ENG 3110, and either ENG 3010 or ENG 3030.

Eighteen units of any upper-division English courses, selected according to a plan developed in consultation with the English Department. With prior approval of the Department, students in this concentration may substitute up to 6 units of coursework from outside of the English major. We also encourage students to take 3 of their 18 units from the following:

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ENG 5753	Internship in English
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ENG 5020	English Study Abroad
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ENG 5010	Media Performance Practicum
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ENG 5170	Honors Project
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ENG 5180	Research Project
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ENG 5030	English Practicum
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