

BA Engl Stdy Bachelor of Arts in English Studies

Under Review | Fall Medical 2023

Proposal Information

Status Active	Workflow Status In Progress
	Faculty Senate Approval, Faculty Senate expand ▲ Waiting for Approval Faculty Senate Approval Rick Holmes Nancy Middlebrook
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Proposal Information

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College College of Arts & Sciences	Department English
	Campus Main Campus

Effective Term and Year

Proposed Proposed Effective Term and Year Fall Medical 2023
Existing Proposed Effective Term and Year Fall 2006

Justification

Proposed

Program Justification

At the undergraduate level, the Department of English currently offers a BA major and two minors. The requirements for the second major in English Studies are the same as for the major. The Department of English wants to revise the second major requirements and reduce the total credit hours by 6 (from 34 to 28). This reduction would come at the 2000-level. We believe that a second major with slightly fewer credit hours would attract more students and also make it easier for English minors to upgrade to a second major.

Existing

Program Justification

NA

Associated Forms

Select any associated course forms that exist

Select any associated program forms that exist

Program Category and Level

Program Category	Program Level	Degree, Minor, or Certificate Name
Program	Undergraduate	Bachelor of Arts in English Studies
New Graduate Program	Dual Degree	Proposed
No	No	New Undergrad Degree/Certificate
		No
		Existing
		New Undergrad Degree/Certificate
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Catalog Information

Program Description

The Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in English Studies teaches both skills and content. The principal skills are independent critical and creative thinking, writing, and research; the content, language, and literature as products of and reflections upon a diversity of moments, places, and cultures. As the Department is located in the Southwest, students are strongly encouraged to take advantage of courses, conferences, presentations, etc. that feature the locale. Students are also strongly encouraged to take advantage of Department specialties in diverse literatures of different cultures. The major requires 34 credit hours.

In order to acquire facility with these skills and content, students need not study a predetermined body of texts (i.e., no one country, period, or author is privileged over others). At the same time, it behooves students to be familiar with some of the movements, writers, and texts that have shaped traditional and emerging canons of English literature and language.

STEP 1: Letter of Intent and Introduction to Studies in English (1 credit hour plus letter of intent and application)

- ENGL 2240: Introduction to Studies in English (1 credit hour)

Students must submit a **letter of intent** for approval by the Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies. Though the letter need not consist of more than a paragraph, students must convey in their letters a prospective course of study as well as a sense of what they wish to do with their degrees after they have graduated. Students are not required to list, let alone to adhere to, a specific set of courses. This step requires students to **self-identify their interests**, to take possession of their education, and to be proactive in planning their courses of study. It is highly recommended that students take ENGL 120 and ENGL 249 concurrently in order to facilitate efficient admission to the English Department.

In order to assist students in the composition of their letters, each of the field groups (Creative Writing, Rhetoric and Writing, American Literary Studies, British and Irish Literary Studies, Medieval Studies) may **suggest courses of study** within their areas of expertise. These suggested courses of study are designed, as well, to address questions about prerequisites and advisement for different possible post-graduate careers and study.

STEP 2: Core Courses (6 credit hours): These courses are **required before students may declare a major in English Studies**; students must receive a grade of "C" or higher in each of the core courses in order to declare a major in English Studies.

- ENGL 2510: Analysis of Literature (3 credit hours).
- Survey of Pre-1830 Literatures: One from ENGL 2610, 2630, 2650, 349, 355 (3 credit hours).

STEP 3: Student-Directed Course of Study (24 credit hours) plus 3 credit hours in 300-level writing intensive course, plus 3 credit hours in a Survey of Post-1830 Literatures: One from ENGL 2540, 2560, 2620, 2640, 2660, 2670, 356 (3 credit hours; total 27 credit hours).

Students must take **eight (8) courses** in the English department. **No more than two (2) of these courses may be 200-level courses**, thus allowing, for example, students who are interested in more than one area of study (e.g., CW and PW) to take a second introductory course for credit, or students who wish to delve deeply into a particular field (e.g., American minority literatures) to take a third survey course for credit.

At least three (3) of these courses must be 400-level courses and may include the Honors Capstone Course (ENGL 412). ENGL 497 may not count toward the 24 student-directed course of study credit hours but may be taken as additional credit hours.

During Step 3 students are **required to take one 3 credit hour 300-level course that is writing intensive**. Students may choose ENGL 320 or any course approved by the Associate Chair for Undergraduate Studies as writing intensive to fulfill this requirement.

Admissions Requirements

Prerequisites

A student must have credit for ENGL 1110 or 1110Y or 1110Z, or an equivalent before registering for ENGL 1120 or 222. A student must have credit for 1120 before registering for 2120, 2210, or any course numbered 2510 or above (with the exception of 2650, 2660, and 320). For enrollment in ENGL 2510 or literature surveys ENGL 2540, 2560, and 2610-2640, students must have successfully completed ENGL 1120. There are no prerequisites for ENGL 1410, other literature courses numbered under 2510, and ENGL 2650, 2660, 320. At least one lower-division course in literature is required for admission to a literature course numbered above 300. All majors should complete ENGL 2510 before enrolling in upper-division courses. A few courses have special prerequisites listed after the course descriptions. Non-majors should take ENGL 2510, 352, and 353 as a specially designated non-major course whenever possible.

Credit Conflicts

Content on specific courses overlaps enough to necessitate restricting credit of both courses toward a student's degree. These courses are not considered equivalent and the completion of the second course in a pair will not affect a student's earned hours on the transcript. Students should consult their advisor if they feel the incorrect course is applied for credit on their degree audit.

Students will be allowed to apply only one of the following courses in each pair for credit towards a degree:

- ENGL 1110 -or- ENGL 1110X

Graduation Requirements

A minimum of 26 credit hours; 23 credit hours must be in courses acceptable toward graduation.

A cumulative grade point average of at least 2.00 on all work.

- Transfer students must have a 2.00 transfer GPA.
- Continuing UNM students must have a 2.00 institutional GPA.

Demonstrated academic achievement by satisfying the following:

- Completion of General Education Curriculum: Communication.
- Completion of General Education Curriculum: Mathematics and Statistics.
- Completion of General Education Curriculum: Second Language.

Completion of Department of English admission coursework with grades of "C" or better:

- ENGL 2510.
- One of the following: ENGL 2560, 2610, 2630, 2650, 2670, 349, 355.
- One of the following: ENGL 2540, 2620, 2640, 2660, 356.

Program Information

Degree Type

Bachelor of Arts

Program Type

Undergraduate

CIP Code ⓘ

CIP Title ⓘ

Professional Credential/Licensure Program Information

Licensure Information

Neither

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Degree Information

Degree Hours

120

Minimum Major Hours

Professional Accrediting Bodies

Degree Requirements

Requirements

- Complete all 1 of the following
 - Earn at least 24 credits from the following types of courses:
Student-Directed Course of Study. Consult advisor for details.
 - Earn at least 3 credits from the following types of courses:
3 credit hours in 300-level writing intensive course
 - Complete at least 1 of the following:
 - ENGL2540 - Introduction to Chicanx Literature (3)
 - ENGL2560 - Introduction to Native American Literature (3)
 - ENGL2630 - British Literature I (3)
 - ENGL2640 - British Literature II (3)
 - ENGL2660 - World Literature II (3)
 - ENGL2670 - African American Literature (3)
 - ENGL356 - Nineteenth Century British and Irish Literature (3)
 - Earn at least 90 credits from the following types of courses:
Completed at least 90 credits from the following types of courses: In addition to the program-specific requirements outlined here, all undergraduate students are required to fulfill UNM's General Education Program requirements. In some instances, courses included in an undergraduate degree program's requirement may also fulfill a General Education requirement. Please review the General Education Program in this Catalog for General Education information. Students within the College of Arts and Sciences must also complete 1) a major and a minor; or 2) two majors; or 3) one of the special curricula of the College that requires no minor.

Major Requirements

- Complete all of the following
 - Earn at least 24 credits from the following types of courses:
Student-Directed Course of Study. Consult advisor for details.
 - Earn at least 3 credits from the following types of courses:
3 credit hours in 300-level writing intensive course
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Second Major Requirements

- Complete all of the following
 - Complete the following:
 - ENGL2240 - Introduction to Studies in English (1)
 - ENGL2510 - Analysis of Literature (3)
 - Earn at least 3 credits from the following:
 - ENGL2540 - Introduction to Chicanx Literature (3)
 - ENGL2560 - Introduction to Native American Literature (3)
 - ENGL2610 - American Literature I (3)
 - ENGL2620 - American Literature II (3)
 - ENGL2630 - British Literature I (3)
 - ENGL2640 - British Literature II (3)
 - ENGL2650 - World Literature I (3)

- ENGL2660 - World Literature II (3)
- ENGL2670 - African American Literature (3)

Additional English Courses

- Complete all of the following
 - Earn at least 3 credits from the following types of courses:
ENGL 2000-level or above
 - Earn at least 9 credits from the following types of courses:
ENGL 300-level or above
 - Earn at least 9 credits from the following types of courses:
ENGL 400-level or above.
 - ENGL 497 is not eligible for credit with the English Studies second major.

Grand Total Credits: 28 - 120

Concentrations

Program Concentrations

Code	Title
Concentration Required	
No	

Emphases

Emphasis required ⓘ	Emphasis Hours
N/A	
Emphasis Rules	
No Rules	

Sample Degree Plan

Sample Degree Plan Upload

Program Learning Outcomes

Proposed

Learning Outcomes

Students will be able to use language in a strategic and meaningful way in various aspects of their professional and personal lives.

1. demonstrate knowledge of one or more of the following: literary or rhetorical traditions, genres, critical or theoretical practices, or historical contexts.
2. develop critical and/or creative insights through the analysis and/or production of a text.
3. write clearly and effectively to intended audiences.

Existing

Learning Outcomes