

ENGLISH, BALAS

for the degree of Bachelors of Arts in Liberal Arts & Sciences: Major in English

department catalog page: English (<http://catalog.illinois.edu/undergraduate/las/academic-units/english>)
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Departmental Distinction: Students interested in graduating with distinction or high distinction are encouraged to consult the departmental honors adviser. In addition, students interested in the departmental honors program should contact the English department advising office.

Topical Streams: Course descriptions are tagged to indicate the topical streams each course is a part of. These streams are not part of any requirement; the streams exist to help student guide themselves through the major. To learn more about topical streams you may be interested in studying, visit www.english.illinois.edu/undergraduate/streams.html (<http://www.english.illinois.edu/undergraduate/streams.html>).

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Minimum required major and supporting course work: 42 hours including a minimum of 36 hours of English Department courses. Students must complete at least 15 hours of coursework at the 300-level or above (ENGL 300, ENGL 301, and 9 more hours). Twelve hours of 300- and 400-level courses in the major must be taken on this campus.

General education: Students must complete the Campus General Education (<https://courses.illinois.edu/gened/DEFAULT/DEFAULT>) requirements including the campus general education language requirement.

GPA Requirement: 2.0 - GPA for all courses included in the major taken on this campus and elsewhere must be 2.0.

Code	Title	Hours
Introduction to the Study of Literature, Text, and Culture		
ENGL 200	Introduction to the Study of Literature and Culture (prerequisite for other English courses; can be taken at the same time as a course that satisfies the Composition I requirement) ¹	3
ENGL 209	Early British Literature and Culture	3
ENGL 255	Early American Literature and Culture	3
Textual Analysis in Action		
ENGL 300	(fulfills the university's Advanced Composition requirement)	3
ENGL 301	Introduction to Critical Theory	3
Period Courses (American, British, transatlantic, anglophone, etc.)^{2, 3, 4}		
At least two courses focused on literature, text, and/or culture in two or more of the following categories:		6

Medieval (before 1550) Shakespeare ⁴	
Early modern (1550-1660 other than Shakespeare) The long eighteenth century (1600-1800)	
One course focused on literature, text and/or culture in the category 1800-1900	3
Additional Coursework ^{2,3}	
One course offered by the Department of English (Business and Technical Writing, Creative Writing, or English).	3
Three additional courses offered by the Department of English either specified by concentration requirements or chosen from the Departmental list.	9
Supporting Coursework—History and Culture Coursework: Choose one of the following pairs:	6
CWL 241 Early Masterpieces of Western Culture & CWL 242 and Modern Masterpieces of Western Culture	
HIST 141 Western Civ to 1660 & HIST 142 and Western Civ Since 1660	
HIST 171 US Hist to 1877 & HIST 172 and US Hist Since 1877	
HIST 255 British Isles to 1688 & HIST 256 and Britain and World Since 1688	
Total Hours required for graduation	120

¹ Students are encouraged to take ENGL 209 and ENGL 255 as early as possible after completing ENGL 200.

² Chosen from the list maintained in the Department of English. One course must focus on race/ethnicity/indigeneity/post-coloniality/sexuality. This course can be used to fulfill part of the Textual Analysis, Period Courses, or Additional Coursework requirements. Three additional courses offered by the Department of English either specified by concentration requirements or chosen from the Departmental list.

³ Student may count 1 Independent Study course (ENGL 290, ENGL 390 or BTW 290) toward the additional coursework requirement.

⁴ Students pursuing the English Teaching Concentration must take 3 hours from the Shakespeare list specifically.