English, BA

You can explore all areas of English --- literature, creative writing, linguistics and creative nonfiction --- from anywhere in the world. The online English degree is flexible and dynamic, allowing you to tailor your program of study to your unique needs and interests.

Program Description

The BA program in English is offered completely online.

Students supplement a core focus on critical studies and analysis with courses chosen from literature, linguistics, film and media and creative and nonfiction writing to complete a robust program of study.

This undergraduate program in English studies prepares students for an ever-expanding variety of careers or for continuing their studies in graduate and professional programs.

In addition to the guidelines in the Concurrent Program Options section below, students interested in pursuing concurrent or second baccalaureate degrees in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are advised to visit The College's website for more information and requirements.

https://thecollege.asu.edu/concurrent-and-second-baccalaureate-degrees

At a Glance

- **College/School:** The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
- **Location:** Online, ASU Local

- **Additional Program Fee:** Yes
- **Second Language Requirement:** Yes
- **First Required Math Course:** MAT 142 - College Mathematics
- **Math Intensity:** General
Required Courses (Major Map)

2022 - 2023 Major Map (Online)
Major Map (Archives)

Concurrent Program Options

Students pursuing concurrent degrees (also known as a "double major") earn two distinct degrees and receive two diplomas. Working with their academic advisors, students can create their own concurrent degree combination. Some combinations are not possible due to high levels of overlap in curriculum.

Accelerated Program Options

This program allows students to choose a 3-year path while participating in the same high-quality educational experience of a 4-year option. Students can opt to fast-track their studies after acceptance into a participating program by connecting with their academic advisor. Fast track options appear at the top of the major map.

Admission Requirements

General University Admission Requirements:
All students are required to meet general university admission requirements.
First-year | Transfer | International | Readmission

Change of Major Requirements

A current ASU student has no additional requirements for changing majors.

Students should refer to https://changemajor.apps.asu.edu for information about how to change a major to this program.

Attend Online

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program description and request more information here.
It is now possible to earn an ASU degree with ASU Local, an integrated college experience in which students take advantage of in-person success coaching and programming experiences on site while completing one of 130+ undergraduate online degree programs, all of which come with online faculty interaction and tutoring support. Those interested may learn more about ASU Local [here](#).

**Transfer Options**

ASU is committed to helping students thrive by offering tools that allow personalization of the transfer path to ASU. Students may use [MyPath2ASU](#)™ to outline a list of recommended courses to take prior to transfer.

ASU has transfer partnerships in Arizona and across the country to create a simplified transfer experience for students. These pathway programs include exclusive benefits, tools and resources, and they help students save time and money in their college journey. Students may learn more about these programs by visiting the admission site: [https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU](https://admission.asu.edu/transfer/MyPath2ASU).

**Program Learning Outcomes**

Program learning outcomes identify what a student will learn or be able to do upon completion of their program. This program has the following program outcomes:

- Define and utilize key terms and conventions of literary, linguistics, and rhetorical scholarship.
- Analyze the formal construction of texts from diverse rhetorical and literary traditions to explain how they function.
- Compose original texts that situate their interpretations in conversation with multiple perspectives.

**Global Opportunities**

**Global Experience**

Studying abroad expands students' perspectives by exposing them to new and unique cultures, communities and people. Students can explore the English language at a deeper level through an extended lens of dialects, literature and terminology in one of over 250 study abroad programs. Students enhance their resumes and educational experience with the heightened cultural competency, communication and critical thinking skills they acquired through study abroad. [https://goglobal.asu.edu/](https://goglobal.asu.edu/)

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences recommends the following study abroad programs for students majoring in English: [https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/english](https://goglobal.asu.edu/students/major/english).

**Career Opportunities**
Degree programs in English prepare students for a variety of careers in diverse fields. Employers seek those with strong writing and communication skills and the ability to think critically. Some of the most common professions for English majors are in these fields:

- business
- editing
- journalism
- law
- nonprofit organizations
- professional and technical writing
- public relations
- publishing
- teaching
- web content development

Career examples include but are not limited to those shown in the following list. Advanced degrees or certifications may be required for academic or clinical positions.

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* Data obtained from the Occupational Information Network (O*NET) under sponsorship of the U.S. Department of Labor/Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA).

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