

English, B.A.

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About

The English department believes that skillful, self-aware reading, writing, and thinking provide a foundation for meaningful living. We seek to develop forms of analysis and expression that are both critical and creative and that help us comprehend the multiple cultural practices and values of the twenty-first century. Villanova English majors acquire a broad understanding of Anglophone literary history as well as familiarity with the major genres of the tradition. A department of accomplished scholars, we focus on undergraduate education and make our majors the center of pedagogy. While preserving the value of literature as a cultural form, we cultivate in our students the analytical skills necessary for negotiating today's rapidly changing world.

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Program: English
Type: Bachelor of Arts

MAJOR (33 credits)

English majors take a range of courses, from required courses (chosen from a number of possibilities) that provide a sense of the historical range and diversity of literature in English to electives covering contemporary writers, film, creative writing, and many more topics. Students can also form tracks (such as Professional Writing, World Literature, or Race and Ethnicity) within the major. English courses are particularly well-suited to helping students become better readers, writers, and analytical thinkers; because of those skills, and because of the breadth of literature, English courses are valuable in all aspects of our lives.

Program Notes:

- There is no prerequisite to the major, but we strongly recommend that you take English 3001 (Foundational Literature in English I) early, since it will introduce you to writers, texts, and issues that are crucial to most subsequent courses.

Required Major Courses:

Item #	Title	Credits
	British/Irish Lit Pre-1800 Courses	6
	Post-1800 Literature Elective	6
ENG 2250	Ways of Reading:Lit Analysis	3
ENG 5000	Senior Seminar	3
	English Electives 1800 and Above	15