

ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

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The English and Foreign Languages Department aims to develop in students an understanding of language development and of the structure and uses of language in their various written and spoken forms. The Department aims to help students in all majors to develop facility in the use of the English language for various purposes and contexts and to respond appreciatively to the beauty, power and utility of language in varied media. The Department offers its majors opportunities to concentrate in English, English with a Secondary Endorsement, Creative Writing, French Literature and Spanish Literature.

The Foreign Languages program in the Department seeks to develop students' fundamental skills in French, Spanish, and other languages, including Arabic, as staff resources permit. It seeks also to generate or broaden student interest in world cultures through language study.

English Requirements

Requirements for the major: Sixty-five or more hours are required in discipline-related courses in all of the concentrations for the Bachelor of Arts in English. All discipline-related courses must be passed with a grade of C or better.

Requirements for certification to teach in the Commonwealth of Virginia include: A minimum of thirty-six semester hours (including ENG 101 College English I, ENG 102 College English II, American and British literature, language and related courses).

Foreign Language Requirements

English majors are required to complete 12 credit hours of a foreign language, usually French or Spanish, with a grade of C or better. General foreign language requirements can be fulfilled upon the successful completion of course work through the 212 level. Students may satisfy all or part of this requirement by obtaining satisfactory scores on a CLEP examination.

Freshmen and transfer students who wish to enter any language course above the 111 level will take a placement test in order to determine their eligibility to pursue advanced courses. This test will be administered by the Foreign Languages faculty.

All prospective English graduates will be required to take a comprehensive examination prior to graduation. Dates and times of administration will be announced by the Department. All majors will be required to write and defend a senior thesis or complete a senior project appropriate to their concentration.

Note:

Descriptions of general education humanities courses (HUM 210 Humanities and HUM 211 Humanities) are listed at the end of the course offerings for music.

English and Foreign Languages Programs

- Bachelor of Arts in English (<https://catalog.nsu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/english-foreign-languages/english-ba/>)
- Bachelor of Arts in English - Creative Writing Concentration (<https://catalog.nsu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/english-foreign-languages/english-ba-creative-writing-concentration/>)
- Bachelor of Arts in English - Secondary Education Endorsement (<https://catalog.nsu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/english-foreign-languages/english-ba-teacher-licensure-endorsement/>)
- Minor in English (<https://catalog.nsu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/english-foreign-languages/english-minor/>)
- Minor in Spanish (<https://catalog.nsu.edu/undergraduate/liberal-arts/english-foreign-languages/spanish-minor/>)

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