

Department of English

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The English Department offers a diverse set of courses in literature, writing studies, linguistics, film, and English Education. English majors form strong communication skills, learn effective research methods, develop flexibility in facing complex situations, and increase their awareness of the humanities tradition. These ideals suit both the liberal arts major and the practical, pre-professional student. Success in an information economy is dependent upon one's ability to produce, analyze, understand, and restate written, oral, and visual material. Through its offerings, the department continues the rich tradition of language and literature study while it also responds to the needs of today's students.

In addition, the department (a) teaches and values collaboration among its students, (b) welcomes and seeks out collaborations with other departments at NDSU, (c) contributes to the Humanities major (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/undergraduate/colleges/arts-humanities-social-sciences/history-philosophy-religious-studies/humanities-philosophy>), the Scholars Program, and the Women and Gender Studies minor (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/undergraduate/interdisciplinary-studies/women-gender-studies>), (d) supports the Cooperative Education Program (<https://www.ndsu.edu/career/internshipprogram>) and other efforts to create student internships, (e) serves university students through the General Education Writing Curriculum, and (f) encourages double majors and minors.

The English Department offers a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Science degree in English through the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences (<https://www.ndsu.edu/ahss>).

- Both English degrees require 45 credits in English courses beyond the first-year English composition sequence.
- The B.A. degree requires functional proficiency in at least one language other than English, which is typically acquired through 14 credits of coursework (see Bachelor of Arts Requirement using a Second Language (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/#basecondlanguagetext>)).
- The B.S. degree requires a minor in an area other than English.
- Students must earn a grade of "C" or above in all courses used to fulfill requirements for the English major. These courses may be repeated only once.
- English majors may contact the English adviser or the English Department (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education>) for additional information.

The Department of English partners with the School of Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education>) to offer a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Science degree in English Education through the College of Human Development and Education (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/undergraduate/colleges/human-development-education>).

- Both English Education degrees lead to teacher certification in Secondary Language Arts (grades 7-12).
- Both degrees require 39 credits in General Education courses, 39 credits of English courses beyond the first-year English composition sequence, 34 credits of Education courses, additional coursework for the specific option (explained below), and elective courses to reach a minimum of 122 credits.
- The B.A. in English Education (known as the Traditional Language Option) requires functional proficiency in at least one language other than English, which is typically acquired through 14 credits of coursework (see Bachelor of Arts Requirement using a Second Language (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/academic-policies/undergraduate-policies/degree-and-graduation/#basecondlanguagetext>)).
- The B.S. in English Education/Communication (known as the Communication Option) prepares students to coach extra-curricular speech and debate teams by requiring 20 credits of Communication courses.
- English Education majors may also take 7 additional courses to earn an endorsement to teach middle school (grades 5-6).
- English Education majors may also take 7 additional courses to earn an endorsement to teach multilingual students who are English Language Learners (ELL).
- Students must maintain a GPA of at least 2.75 in all English courses and in all professional education courses to remain in the Teacher Education Program.
- English Education majors should contact the English Education adviser or the School of Education (<https://www.ndsu.edu/education>) for additional information.

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Creative Writing (<http://bulletin.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2017-18/undergraduate/colleges/arts-humanities-social-sciences/english/creative-writing>)