

English, BA (New York)

The English major is designed to empower students to shape the future through skilled reading and writing practices. Our major is a unique blend of literary studies, writing and rhetoric, creative writing, and digital humanities, making it a true English major for our times.

In the dynamic exchange of our discussion-based seminars, students' voices and perspectives are central. We put you at the center of critical issues that resonate between the past and the present—unpacking crucial concepts such as identity, voice, expression, and opinion—and testing out the myriad ways that individual lives and social concerns are defined, developed, and transformed through language.

Core learning opportunities include:

- Mastering an inclusive and dynamic vision of literary history relevant to our own time
- Analyzing rhetoric, looking at writing and other media as a way of pursuing communicative means in various social and cultural contexts
- Studying the practices of teaching and assessing writing, including the social structure and meaning of English-language learning
- Using cutting-edge methods of data analysis to analyze texts and make archives available to new audiences
- Practicing writing in many forms, from the scholarly to the creative

This program is currently only available to former Marymount Manhattan College students who are eligible for continued enrollment at Northeastern University. This program includes required courses that will be taught on ground at the Northeastern New York City campus.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#additionalrequirementsforbaprogramtext>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUPath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUPath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#nupathtext>).

New York State Liberal Arts and Sciences Requirements

All undergraduate students enrolled in programs at the New York campus are required to fulfill New York State Liberal Arts and Sciences requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/general-education-requirements/#nyliberalartsandsciencetext>).

English Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Foundation Courses		
ENGL 1000	English at Northeastern	1
ENGL 1160 or ENGL 1410	Introduction to Rhetoric Introduction to Research on Writing	4
ENGL 1400	Introduction to Literary Studies	4
ENGL 1700 or ENGL 1701	Global Literatures 1 Global Literatures 2	4
Literary Periods		
<i>Pre-1850</i>		
Complete two of the following:		8
ENGL 1600	Introduction to Shakespeare	

ENGL 2296 or AFCS 2296	Early African-American Literature Early African-American Literature
ENGL 3160	Topics in 17th- and 18th-Century British Literatures
ENGL 3190	Topics in 19th-Century American Literature
ENGL 3619	Emerson and Thoreau
ENGL 3678	Bedrooms and Battlefields: Hebrew Bible and the Origins of Sex, Gender, and Ethnicity

Post-1850

Complete one of the following: 4

ENGL 2430	Contemporary Fiction
ENGL 2451	Postcolonial Women Writers
ENGL 2455	American Women Writers

Theories and Methods

Complete one of the following: 4

ENGL 1160	Introduction to Rhetoric
ENGL 1410	Introduction to Research on Writing
ENGL 1450	Reading and Writing in the Digital Age
ENGL 2520	Science Fiction
ENGL 3325	Rhetoric of Law
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive
ENGL 3700	Narrative Medicine

Advanced Writing in the Disciplines

ENGL 3315	Interdisciplinary Advanced Writing in the Disciplines	4
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Writing

Complete two of the following: 8

ENGL 2695	Travel and Place-Based Writing
ENGL 2700	Creative Writing
ENGL 2710	Style and Editing
ENGL 2770	Writing to Heal
ENGL 3375	Writing Boston
ENGL 3376	Creative Nonfiction
ENGL 3377	Poetry Workshop
ENGL 3378	Fiction Workshop
ENGL 3380	Writing Seminar

Major Seminar

ENGL 3710	Major Seminar	4
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Capstone

ENGL 4710	Capstone Seminar	4
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Diversity

Complete one of the following, which can also count toward another requirement in the major: 4

ENGL 2455 or AFCS 2455 or WMNS 2455	American Women Writers American Women Writers American Women Writers
ENGL 2460	Multiethnic Literatures of the U.S.
ENGL 2760	Writing in Global Contexts

Electives

Complete any two ENGL courses, except for First-Year Writing and Advanced Writing in the Disciplines, that have not already been used to fulfill another requirement. 8

Experiential Learning Requirement

Complete one course in experiential learning from the list below or any Dialogues of Civilization experience. (Other study-abroad programs may not be used.) This course can also count toward another requirement in the major.

Code	Title	Hours
Experiential Learning Coursework		
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text	
ENGL 3375	Writing Boston	
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	
ENGL 3382	Publishing in the 21st Century	
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive	

Dialogues of Civilization

Complete one Dialogues of Civilization experience including, but not limited to, those offered by the department (other study-abroad programs may not be used).

English Major Credit Requirement

Complete 60 semester hours in the major.

Experiential Liberal Arts Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following:		
ANTH 3410	Ethnographic Field Experience	
ECON 2350	Statistics for Economists	
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text	
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing	
ENGL 3382	Publishing in the 21st Century	
ENGL 3400	Opening the Archive	
HIST 1120	Public History, Public Memory	
HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism	
HUSV 1101	Social Change and Human Services	
SOCL 2485	Environment, Technology, and Society	

Optional Co-op

Code	Title	Hours
Successful completion of EXED 2000 is required for participation in co-op. (https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/academic-policies-procedures/cooperative-education/)		
EXED 2000	Professional Development for Co-op	1
COOP 3945	Co-op Work Experience	0
or COOP 3946	Co-op Work Experience--Half Time	
or COOP 3947	Co-op Work Experience Abroad--Half Time	
or COOP 3948	Co-op Work Experience Abroad	

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required