

ACADEMIC ROADMAP

English BA

Fall 2026

For students who declare the English major in spring 2026 and later.

Freshman Year (30 credits)

FIRST SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
College Writing I	CWP 101	
Introduction to Literature	ENG 190	
GE23 elective		
GE23 Math		
general elective		

SECOND SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Argumentation and Research	CWP 102	CWP 101
English Elective		
GE23 Natural Science		
GE23 elective		
GE23 elective		

FRESHMAN YEAR — Notes and recommendations:

- You should attend at least one faculty office hour for each of your classes, visit the Academic Excellence Center (math, writing, and general tutoring), and view your degree audit sheet in Degree Works this year.
- You should also meet with your faculty advisor each semester before registration.

Sophomore Year (60 credits)

THIRD SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
English Elective		
GE23 elective		
GE23 Diversity		
General elective		
General elective		

FOURTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Literary Movements	ENG 250	
GE23 elective		
GE23 elective		
General elective		
General elective		

SOPHOMORE YEAR — Notes and recommendations:

- Consider enrolling in a complementary minor like Writing, Diverse Literatures, Film Studies, Philosophy, or History.
- You should also meet with your faculty advisor each semester before registration.

Junior Year (90 credits)

FIFTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
English elective		None or one English literature course (varies by course)
General elective or minor		
General elective or minor		
General elective or minor		

SIXTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Literary Theory	ENG 390	ENG 190, ENG 250
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
General elective or minor		
General elective or minor		
General elective or minor		

JUNIOR YEAR — Notes and recommendations:

- Visit the Career & Professional Education Center to discuss appropriate career options.
- You should also meet with your faculty advisor each semester before registration.
- Talk to your faculty advisor about internships and graduate school.
- Remember:
 - You need a total of three courses in literature before 1900;
 - You need at least nine upper division (300- or 400-level) courses (27 total credits) in your major program (this includes Major Author, ENG390, and ENG490);
 - You need at least 45 total upper-division credits overall.

Senior Year (120 credits)

SEVENTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Major author	ENG 315 or ENG 322	One English literature course
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
General elective or minor		
General elective or minor		

EIGHTH SEMESTER

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
Senior Seminar	ENG 490	ENG 390
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
English Upper-Division elective		One English literature course
General elective or minor		

Course Title	Catalog Number	Prerequisite(s)
General elective or minor		

SENIOR YEAR — Notes and recommendations:

- Visit the Career & Professional Education Center to discuss appropriate career options.
- You should also meet with your faculty advisor each semester before registration.
- Talk to your faculty advisor about internships and graduate school.
- Apply for graduation; apply to graduate school, if applicable; visit the Career & Professional Education Center to have your resume reviewed.
- Remember:
 - You need a total of three courses in literature before 1900;
 - You need at least nine upper division (300- or 400-level) courses (27 total credits) in your major program (this includes Major Author, ENG390, and ENG490);
 - You need at least 45 total upper-division credits overall.