

# English Major



## About the Major

The core of the study of English at James Madison University is the exploration of our world and ourselves through words. Throughout human history, talented writers, poets, playwrights, and essayists have understood and used the power of creative, well-crafted language to inspire us, to persuade us, to make us reflect and question, to draw empathy from us, to entertain and awe us, and to expand our understanding – often many of these at the same time.



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## Major Requirements

### Introductory Courses (9 credit hours)

- ENG 235 or ENG 247 \_\_\_\_\_ TERM
- ENG 235, 236, 239, 247, 248, 260 \_\_\_\_\_ TERM
- ENG 221, 222, 235, 236, 239, 247, 248, 260 \_\_\_\_\_ TERM

### Gateway Course (3 credit hours)

- ENG 299: Writing About Literature \_\_\_\_\_ TERM

### Intermediate Courses (18 credit hours)

**Choose SIX** 300-level courses or higher. **MAY** also include **ONE** additional 200-level.

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### Advanced Studies Courses (6 credit hours)

**Choose TWO** 400-level courses. The following are **NOT** Advanced Studies options: ENG 483-490, Advanced Creative Writing (ENG 447, 450, 493-6), and courses cross-listed with Foreign Languages or 463L.

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2nd Major(s) _____
Minor(s) _____

**Additional Requirement:** 3 of your Intermediate or Advanced Studies courses must fall within the following areas; each selected course can satisfy only one of these areas.

#### Pre-1700 (Circle one)

- o ENG 301, 306, 311, 313, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 401, 402

#### Pre-1900 (Circle one)

- o ENG 301, 306, 311, 313, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 325, 327, 329, 330, 342, 343, 344, 352, 401, 402, 403

#### Identity, Diversity, Power (Circle one)

- o ENG 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 368, 369, 370, 374, 377, 378, 379, 408, 423, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 466

## BA Degree Requirements

- General Education Requirements (41 credit hours)
- Philosophy Course (3 credit hours) - PHIL 101 may not be double-counted for both Gen Ed and BA requirements. PHIL 120/150 do not satisfy the BA PHIL requirement.
- Foreign Language Requirement (232 of equivalent)
- 120 Total credit hours
- 60 credit hours at a 4 year institution
- 30 credit hours earned at JMU and at least 2 full semesters
- 2.0 or above GPA in major
- 2.0 or above GPA overall