

English



Why English?

An English degree provides a sound foundation in college-level reading, writing and research for students planning to pursue a Bachelor of Arts degree. Offering courses in rhetoric, literature and writing, MCC's English degree lets students complete the first two years of a Bachelor's in English or other disciplines. The English curriculum features relevant and contemporary courses taught by invested instructors who are masters in the study of English.

The English Program builds the key information literacy and communication skills desired by employers in a wide variety of industries: the ability to effectively read, interpret, synthesize and communicate information orally or in writing; sound research skills, including the ability to locate credible sources and critical and creative thinking strategies.

Program Goal/Objectives

1. Proficiency in undergraduate college composition competencies, most importantly critical thinking/reading to:

- Analyze, synthesize and evaluate ideas and texts
- Conduct and understand the process of research through identifying, analyzing, synthesizing and documenting credible source material
- Compose an argument (thesis) supported by the most essential information available on the topic

2. Proficiency in undergraduate communication competencies that include:

- Rhetoric (formulation and delivery of an argument)
- Discipline-specific writing and context-sensitive approaches
- Effective peer feedback

3. Proficiency in genre-specific competencies in preparation for further study including the ability to:

- Propose and support interpretations of a wide range of texts by performing close textual analysis and accounting for the impact of historical, cultural and literary contexts (Literature)
- Recognize the creative/intentional elements employed in the genres of poetry, fiction and drama and compose original writing that engages these elements (Creative Writing)

Potential Jobs

- Advertising Assistant
- Corporate Trainer
- Freelance Writer
- Management
- Public Relations Manager
- Copywriter
- Editor
- Journalist
- Project Management
- Technical Writer

Transfer Opportunities

Students in the English degree can successfully transfer to colleges and universities around the country, including the following:

- Boston University
- Emerson College
- Granite State College
- Keene State College
- Plymouth State University
- Rivier University
- Southern NH University
- University of New Hampshire
- University of Massachusetts

...and many more!

Start at MCC and earn the first two years of a Bachelor of Arts degree in English!

Degree Requirements

English Degree

Degree Program - First Year

First Year	Fall Semester	TH	LAB	CR
FYE100M	MCC Essentials	1	0	1
ENGL110XM or ENGL110M	College Composition I with Corequisite or College Composition I	4	0	4
	Science Elective (<i>BIOL, CHEM, ENVS, ESCI, GEOL, PHYS</i>)	3	0	3
	Social Science Elective (<i>ANTH, ECON, GEOG, HIST, POLS, PSYC, SOCI</i>)	3	0	3
	Liberal Arts and Science Elective or Open Elective*	3	0	3
	Total	14	0	14

First Year	Spring Semester	TH	LAB	CR
ENGL113M	Introduction to Public Speaking	3	0	3
ENGL207M	Introduction to Literary Analysis	3	0	3
	Literature Elective (<i>must be 200 level</i>)	3	0	3
	Mathematics Elective (<i>can be 3 or 4 credits</i>)	3	0	3
	Social Science Elective (<i>ANTH, ECON, GEOG, HIST, POLS, PSYC, SOCI</i>)	3	0	3
	Total	15	0	15

Degree Program - Second Year

Second Year	Fall Semester	TH	LAB	CR
ENGL220M	College Composition II**	4	0	4
	Pre-1800 Literature Elective - <i>choose one:</i> <i>ENGL200M***, ENGL223M, ENGL225M, ENGL230M</i>	3	0	3
	English Elective (<i>200 level</i>)	3	0	3
	Mathematics Elective (<i>can be 3 or 4 credits</i>)	3	0	3
	Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
	Total	16	0	16

Second Year	Spring Semester	TH	LAB	CR
	Post-1800 Literature Elective - <i>choose one:</i> <i>ENGL200M***, ENGL201M, ENGL202M, ENGL208M,</i> <i>ENGL210M, ENGL218M, ENGL224M, ENGL227M,</i> <i>ENGL228M, ENGL229M, ENGL235M</i>	3	0	3
	English Elective (<i>must be 200 level</i>)	3	0	3
	Lab Science Elective (<i>BIOL, CHEM, ENVS, ESCI, GEOL, PHYS</i>)	3	3	4
	Foreign Language/Humanities/Fine Arts Elective	3	0	3
	Social Science Elective (<i>ANTH, ECON, GEOG, HIST, POLS, PSYC, SOCI</i>)	3	0	3
	Total	15	3	16
Total Credits - 61				

**Liberal Arts and Sciences Elective: any course with ANTH, ARTS, ASL, BIOL, CHEM, ECON, ENGL, ENVS, ESCI, FREN, GEOG, GEOL, HIST, HUMA, MATH, PHIL, PHYS, POLS, PSYC, SOCI, or SPAN in the course number.*

***Denotes milestone course which must be taken / passed in the semester indicated to maintain good standing in the degree program*

****ENGL200M This course can count as pre- or post-1800 course dependent on topic. Please refer to the English Faculty with questions.*

New Hampshire Transfer Connections

The NH Transfer Connections program streamlines the transfer process between schools in the Community College System of NH (CCSNH) and schools in the University System of NH (USNH). Requirements for participants are outlined at nhtransfer.org/connections-program; additional information can also be obtained from MCC's Career Development & Transfer Services.



"I Love English Majors."

"I love how smart they are. I love how well read they are. I love their ability to write well and think critically, and most of all, I love to hire them. For my money, I think English majors are a great choice for any entrepreneur's next employee or intern..."

I love how you are able to think critically and solve problems: ... What gets lost in the noise about the need for specialization these days is that what small business owners often need are generalists. We need folks who can jump in, quickly see the issue, think critically and solve the problem . . . sort of like someone who was given some dense literary passage and had to read it, analyze it, and write intelligently about it in 45 minutes.

I love how well you relate to customers: English majors have spent a lot of time thinking, reading, and talking about, at the risk of sounding maudlin, "the human condition." They focus on empathy and emotional intelligence. And whether it is that, or some other reason beyond my ken, what I have found is that the English majors I have hired have uniformly impressed customers and have been great at dealing and interacting with clients.

I love how well you write. I run a content company and so of course I need people who can write well. But I am certainly not alone; if you have ever received an email from someone who uses "I" instead of "I", you know what I mean. Almost all entrepreneurs need people who can: handle social media and marketing, write copy and/or create content, respond to customers' inquiries and email

... I love how easy you are to work with: I love how confident and well-spoken you are (even if your Chaucer reference goes over my head sometimes.)

So yes, to you Humanities grads generally and English majors specifically, we love you to the depth and breadth and heights that our businesses can reach."

Excerpted from Steve Strauss' "Why entrepreneurs should hire English majors," for USA TODAY Published 6:40 p.m. ET July 8, 2016 Updated 8:06 p.m. ET July 8, 2016

All courses and degree requirements are subject to change. For the most current information on MCC programs, **visit mccnh.edu.**

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