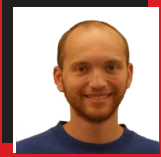


# NEED ANOTHER GOOD REASON TO STUDY ENGLISH?



As a physics major, one of the most important aspects of pursuing an English minor is that it was/is a useful complement to my major, making me a well-rounded individual as well as teaching me skills that I could use in both academia and the work-place.” —**Ryan Parks**, English Minor



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## TEACHING ENGLISH TO SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (TESOL) CERTIFICATE

The Department of English offers students the opportunity to obtain a certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). This is a 15-hour/5-course certificate. Normally, students are able to complete the certificate requirements within three or four semesters.

The TESOL faculty have designed the certificate to help students get up to speed on language theory and pedagogy. You'll start with ENGL 3610 *Introduction to Linguistics*, which sets the foundation for upper-division courses. Then, you'll learn specifics about the English language so that you can explain sounds, words, sentences, and meanings to your students. In addition, you'll study theories about how adults learn languages as well as strategies for teaching language and designing curriculum.

For more information, contact Dr. Sarah Osborn [srfosborn@unomaha.edu](mailto:srfosborn@unomaha.edu)

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## Why minor in English?

Whether you want to minor in English because you love to read, you're preparing for a writing career, or because you want to be a more effective communicator, the English minor is designed to be flexible enough to meet your needs. There are also several interdisciplinary minors that use English courses to examine their topics.

By learning to write in a variety of modes, you will learn to adapt to different audiences and purposes. Employers will value your ability to solve problems and present ideas in effective language to a wide range of audiences. You will think critically, having learned to weigh evidence, identify assumptions, evaluate persuasive appeals, and recognize faulty reasoning.

Employers want smart, flexible, and creative employees, all hallmarks of a student who studies English. Consider the possibilities.

## Careers for English Minors

As an English minor, you'll develop the insight of an artist, the analytical precision of a scientist, and the persuasiveness of a lawyer.

A minor in English enhances every other major at the University because every major requires the effective communication of its work. Employers recognize that hiring a specialist alone is not enough if that specialist can't write. A minor in English, with its guarantees of language facility, is gold on any resume. English minors often pursue careers such as:

*Journalist • Entrepreneur • Project Manager • Copywriter • Community Leader • PR Specialist • Salesperson • Politician • Research Analyst • Web Designer • Academic Administrator • and more*

## Required Coursework

**6 credits of English at the 1000/2000\* level or higher**

**9 credits of English at the 3000/4000 level**

**\*ENGL 1150, 1160, and 2160 do not count toward the minor**

**"I LOOK AT MINORS AS A WONDERFUL SIDE DISH TO THE MAIN ENTREE."**



A major is perfectly suitable on its own, but when combined with a minor, it just adds a little bit of flavor that makes it stand out. I know that as someone who reviews job applications, I look at both the majors and the minors listed, because sometimes, the minor offers the skill sets I'm looking for more than the major."

—Rachel Tomcak, Assistant Director, College of Arts & Sciences Advising

## Flexibility of the English Minor

The English minor is designed to give you maximum flexibility with your coursework. You can choose a mix of coursework from any of the following concentrations—British Literature, American Literature, Creative Nonfiction, or Language Studies. To declare English as your minor, contact Dustin Pendley at dpendley@unomaha.edu.

### You Might Only Take General Education Classes

If you are being strategic about the classes you take, you could double up your classes for the English minor with General Education classes. We have classes that count as Humanities and Fine Arts, Social Science, US Diversity, and Global Diversity credit. We also have upper-level English classes that count as General Education classes.

#### GENERAL EDUCATION EXAMPLE\*

**1000/2000 Requirement**

ENGL 2310 *British Literature I*

ENGL 2280 *Introduction to Language*

**3000/4000 Requirement**

ENGL 3610 *Introduction to Linguistics*

ENGL 3280 *Irish Literature I*

ENGL 3130 *American Nonfiction*

#### GENERAL EDUCATION EXAMPLE\*

**General Education Requirement Met**

Humanities and Fine Arts

Social Science

**General Education Requirement Met**

Social Science/US Diversity

Global Diversity

Humanities and Fine Arts

### You Might Focus on a Specific Concentration

You might enjoy keeping your focus narrow while working on your English major. That is completely acceptable. For example, let's say you took ENGL1200 Autobiographical Reading and Writing and loved writing Creative Nonfiction, you could focus your minor on Creative Nonfiction classes.

#### CREATIVE NONFICTION EXAMPLE\*

**1000/2000 Requirement**

ENGL 1200 *Autobiographical Read/Writing*

ENGL 2110 *Introduction to CNF*

**CNF 3000/4000 Requirement**

ENGL 3150 *Form and Style*

ENGL 4820 *Autobiography*

ENGL 4840 *Travel Writing*

#### LITERATURE-FOCUSED EXAMPLE\*

**1000/2000 Requirement**

ENGL 1010 *Genre Studies Prose*

ENGL 2320 *British Literature II*

**Literature 3000/4000 Requirement**

ENGL 4060 *The American Novel*

ENGL 4210 *The Harlem Renaissance*

ENGL 4400 *King Arthur Through The Ages*

### You Might Already Meet the Requirements

If you are a Secondary English/Language Arts Education majors or a Writers Workshop major, you should declare the English minor. You have or will take all required courses for the English minor by the time you graduate.

#### SECONDARY ENGLISH EXAMPLE\*

**1000/2000 Requirement**

ENGL 2310 *Introduction British Literature I*

ENGL 2460 *American Literature II*

**3000/4000 Requirement**

ENGL 4750 *Composition Theory*

ENGL 4230 *Latino Literature*

ENGL 4940 *Great Works of British Lit*

#### WRITER'S WORKSHOP EXAMPLE\*

**1000/2000 Requirement**

ENGL 2450 *American Literature I*

ENGL 2250 *The Short Story*

**3000/4000 Requirement**

ENGL 4860 *Modern Familiar Essay*

ENGL 4060 *The American Novel*

ENGL 4280 *Queer American Wests*

\*Remember, the English minor is extremely flexible. You do not have to follow these examples.