

ENGLISH, BA WITH LIBERAL STUDIES, MA COMBINED DEGREE

Program Requirements

The English Department and the School of Graduate Studies offer a combined Bachelor's and Master's degree in which students earn a **Bachelor of Arts in English and a Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) with an English concentration** within five-years.

Entrance requirements for ENGL/MALS degrees are:

- 3.0 GPA
- ENGL 3100 Intro to Literary Studies—grade of B or better
- ENGL 3110 Intro to Writing Studies—grade of B or better
- Acceptance into Graduate School

Freshman – Junior Standing Requirements

Students will complete the course requirements for undergraduate English, BA (<https://catalog.clayton.edu/academic-catalog/arts-sciences/english/english-ba/>).

Senior Standing Requirements

Students will complete up to 12 credit hours of approved graduate-level ENGL courses in their final 2 semesters along with their remaining undergraduate coursework.

The student must submit the following to Graduate Admissions during their senior year: application, application processing fee, and transcripts from all institutions attended. Letters of reference are also required.

Suggested Course Sequence

Please Note: Your academic advisor knows the appropriate courses you need to take to ensure your success - please work closely with your advisor and take the courses that he/she recommends. Please also consult with Financial Aid to determine the particular courses and load you need to take to remain eligible for your aid.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
Freshman		
First Semester		
ENGL 1101	English Composition I ^{IMPACTS Area C}	3
CRIT 1101	Critical Thinking ^{IMPACTS Area I}	3
SPAN 1001	Elementary Spanish I	3
or SPAN 1002	or Elementary Spanish II	
or FREN 1001	or Elementary French I	
or FREN 1002	or Elementary French II	
MATH 1101	Intro to Mathematical Modeling ^{IMPACTS Area M}	3
HIST 1111	Survey-PreModern World History ^{IMPACTS Area S World History}	3
or HIST 1112	or Survey of Modern World History	
or HIST 2750	or Critical Trends and Issues	
or POLS 2401	or Intro to Global Issues	
CSU 1000	First Year Seminar	1
Credit Hours		16
Second Semester		
ENGL 1102	English Composition II ^{IMPACTS Area C}	3

SPAN 1002	Elementary Spanish II	3
or FREN 1002	or Elementary French II	
or SPAN 1002	or Elementary Spanish II	
HIST 2111	Survey of US History to 1877 ^{IMPACTS Area P History}	3
or HIST 2112	or US HIST Since Reconstruction	
COMM 1001	Principles of Public Speaking ^{IMPACTS Area I}	1
Science without a Lab	^{IMPACTS Area T}	3
Social Sciences: Behavioral Sciences	^{IMPACTS Area S}	3

Credit Hours 16

Sophomore

First Semester

Science Course with Lab	^{IMPACTS Area T}	4
ART 2302	Art of the Modern World (Fine Arts or Intermediate Foreign Language) ^{IMPACTS Area A}	3
SPAN 2002	Intermediate Spanish II	3
or FREN 2002	or Intermediate French II	
ENGL 2111	World Literature I -Pre-Modern	3
ENGL 2121	British Literature I	3

Credit Hours 16

Second Semester

SPAN 2002	Intermediate Spanish II	3
or FREN 2002	or Intermediate French II	
ENGL 3100	Intro to Literary Studies ¹	3
Science without a Lab	^{IMPACTS Area T}	3
ENGL 2000-level Lit. Survey	^{Field of Study}	6

Credit Hours 15

Junior

First Semester

ENGL 2000-level Lit. Survey		3
ENGL 3800	Intro to Creative Writing	3
ENGL Literature Course (3000-level or higher)		3
ENGL Cultural Studies Course (3000-level or higher)		3
ENGL Writing Course (3000-level or higher)		3

Credit Hours 15

Second Semester

ENGL 3110	Intro to Writing Studies	3
ENGL Literature Course (3000-level or higher)		3
ENGL Writing Course (3000-level or higher)		3
ENGL Creative Writing Course (3000-level or higher)		3
ENGL Cultural Studies Course (3000-level or higher)		3

Credit Hours 15

Senior

First Semester

ENGL 4215	Shakespeare	3
or ENGL 5150	or Studies in Shakespeare	
ENGL Lit., Writing, Creat. Writing, and Cultural Studies Course (1 each)(3000-level or higher)		12

Credit Hours 15

Second Semester

ENGL 4950	Senior Capstone	3
ENGL Elective Course		3
Upper Division Elective Course		3
Free Elective		6

Credit Hours 15

Fifth Year

First Semester

ART 5000	Great Works in Art History (Satisfies the MALS Foundation requirement)	3
or MUSC 5000	or Great Works in Music History	
or MATH 5000	or History of Mathematics	
or PHIL 5000	or Classics in Philosophy	

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MALS 6995 or MALS 6890	Master's Thesis Research or Non-Thesis Prof Paper Research	3
MALS 5000	Intro. to Graduate Studies	3
ENGL 5000	Great Books	3
Credit Hours		15
Second Semester		
MALS 6999 or MALS 6899	Master's Thesis Preparation or Non-Thesis Comprehensive Exam	1-3
Graduate level English Elective ⁶		3
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Credit Hours		7-9
Total Credit Hours		145-147

Optional Summer Semester Between Senior and Fifth Year

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Graduate level English Elective ⁶		3
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MALS 5000	Intro. to Graduate Studies	3
Total Credit Hours		9

If students choose the Optional Summer Semester between Senior and Fifth Year, they only need to take nine credits in the first semester and six credits in the second semester of their fifth year.

* Classes with one asterisk can be taken either 2nd semester sophomore or either semester junior years. But you still need to maintain rotation and take an asterisk course - it just could be one of the other asterisked courses.

¹ Grade of B required in ENGL 3100 Intro to Literary Studies and ENGL 3110 Intro to Writing Studies for acceptance to the program.

² English Electives (6 courses total) - Any 3000- or 4000-level English course.

³ Cultural Studies Electives (2 courses total)

⁴ Guided Electives (4 courses total) - any 3000- or 4000 level non-English course.

⁵ Survey of Literature (C1) - Students may take any English 2000 survey course to satisfy this requirement.

⁶ Graduate Level English Electives (4 courses total) - Any 5000 level non-English course.

⁷ Course counts towards both degrees.