

English

Cal Lutheran's English Department faculty maintain a high level of instructional integrity, involve themselves with their students in first year writing through upper division courses, and encourage students to present their research and creative work at local, regional, and national undergraduate conferences.

The English curriculum sharpens critical thinking, reading, and communication skills and promotes an appreciation for literature, making English an ideal major for students interested in careers that require these skills. Our majors enter a broad range of fields, including teaching, law, business leadership, nonprofit development, political advocacy, publishing and content development, public relations, marketing and advertising, film, new media, the ministry, and library and information science.

Majors can compete for paid positions that offer them opportunities to build their teaching and leadership skills and gain insight into the learning process. These include departmental assistantships, internships, Writing Center tutors, Editor-in-Chief and Assistant Editor of Morning Glory, and Academic Advising and Learning Resource Center tutors.

Bachelor of Arts in English

Students should consult with their advisors to identify the courses appropriate for their goals.

Option 1 The Traditional English Major

40 credits beyond ENGL 111, at least 24 credits of which must be upper division.

Required Courses:

ENGL 201	Introduction to Literary Study	4
ENGL 301	Academic Research and Writing	4
ENGL 314	English Language and Linguistics	4
Any three of the following four sequenced courses:		12
ENGL 323	English Literature I	
ENGL 324	English Literature II	
ENGL 325	American Literature I	
ENGL 326	American Literature II	
ENGL 452	Shakespeare	4
ENGL 480	English Major Capstone Colloquium ¹	2
Ten units of English electives to meet the 40 unit minimum		10
Total Hours		40

¹ To fulfill the integrated studies requirement of Core- 21, all senior English majors are required to take the Capstone Course ENGL 480 in the form of a two-unit seminar, which culminates in the completion of a senior project. ENGL 301 is a prerequisite for ENGL 480.

Option 2 The Contract Major in English

Contract Major - 40 credits beyond ENGL 111 as a minimum, at least 24 credits of which must be upper division.

Required Courses:

ENGL 301	Academic Research and Writing	4
ENGL 480	English Major Capstone Colloquium	2
Specific Program of courses ¹		34
Total Hours		40

¹ A specific program of courses are developed and justified with the advice and consent of an advisor in the department, and must be approved by the department chair.

Option 3 The English Major with a Concentration in Writing

Fulfillment of Option 1 or Option 2 40

Required Courses:

ENGL 202	Introduction to Creative Writing	4
Select four of the following: ¹		15-16
ENGL 302	Creative Writing: Fiction	

ENGL 303	Creative Writing: Poetry	
ENGL 304	Creative Writing: Nonfiction	
ENGL 305	Playwriting	
ENGL 306	Visual and Non-Linear Storytelling	
ENGL 307	Professional Writing	
ENGL 319	Multimedia Presentations	
COMM 231	Writing for the Mass Media	
COMM 307	Screenwriting	
COMM 333	Working on the Echo	
Total Hours		59-60

¹ Majors may take writing courses from this series as part of the fulfillment of both their major requirements and their writing concentration.

Option 4 The English Major for Future Single Subject Teachers

Students who plan to become English teachers in grades 7-12 in California are encouraged to take and pass the required California Basic Educational Skills Test (CBEST) by their senior year. They are also encouraged to choose the Option 4 English major, which best prepares them to pass the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET) in English.

65 credits beyond ENGL 111, including a comprehensive program of courses in four different domains: literature and textual analysis; composition and rhetoric; language, linguistics and literacy; and communications, speech and media. Three graduate Education courses are also included and may be taken in the senior year. Students should confer with their advisors and with the English Department Chair about the Option 4 Single Subject matter curriculum.

English Subject Matter Credential

Students interested in the teaching of English should confer with the chair of the English Department for information about the English subject matter program. (See Education)

Minor in English

20 credits beyond ENGL 111, 12 credits of which must be upper division. Students are encouraged to design their own minor to suit their intellectual and/or professional interests (with advisor consent and department chair approval).

Students who intend to teach at a secondary level and who want an English minor are advised to take the following courses:

ENGL 312	The Teaching of Writing	3
ENGL 314	English Language and Linguistics	4
ENGL 323	English Literature I	4
or ENGL 324	English Literature II	
ENGL 325	American Literature I	4
or ENGL 326	American Literature II	
Elective Courses		5
Total Hours		20