

Major: English
Option: Professional Writing
For students graduating in calendar year 2010

Student Name: _____

Student Number: _____

E-address: _____

Year of Graduation: _____

The B.A. in English, the Professional Writing Option, requires 50 hours in English distributed as follows¹ and 120 hours overall:

I. Major Requirements. The English Core.

16 Hours

Introduction to Critical Reading	(3) _____ ENGL 2604
Introduction to English Studies	(1) _____ ENGL 2614 ²
Survey of British Literature I	(3) _____ ENGL 2515
Survey of British Literature II	(3) _____ ENGL 2516 ³
Survey of American Literature I or Survey of American Literature II	(3) _____ ENGL 2525 or (3) _____ ENGL 2526
Shakespeare's Early Plays or Shakespeare's Later Plays	(3) _____ ENGL 4165 or (3) _____ ENGL 4166

II. Major Requirements. Professional Writing Option

19 Hours

Two Foundation Courses (6 hours)

Introduction to Professional Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 3104 ⁴
Technical Editing and Style	(3) _____ ENGL 3804 ⁵

A Linguistics Course. Choose one. (3 hours)

Language and Society or English Syntax	(3) _____ ENGL 4044 or (3) _____ ENGL 4074
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Electives Choose 2. (6 hours)

Creating User Documentation	(3) _____ ENGL 3814 ⁶
Designing Documents for Print	(3) _____ ENGL 3824 ⁷
Intercultural Issues in Professional Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 3834 ⁸
Grant Proposals and Reports	(3) _____ ENGL 4804 ⁹
Writing for the Web	(3) _____ ENGL 4814 ¹⁰
Science Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 4824

A Capstone Course

Issues in Professional and Public Discourse (IPPD) ¹¹	(3) _____ ENGL 4874
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A Course in Portfolio Development¹²

Senior Portfolio Development in Professional Writing	(1) _____ ENGL 4864
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III. Major Requirements. Free Electives in English.

15 hours¹³

15 hours of English electives (3) _____ (3) _____

¹ Completion of the first-year writing requirement is a prerequisite for all English courses at the 2000 level or above.

² 2614 is a co-requisite of 2604.

³ Students may also use English 2515 and 2516 to satisfy Area II of the Liberal Education Curriculum.

⁴ Although English 3764 and 3774 may seem relevant, we do not recommend that students in this option take them as they are designed for nonmajors. English 3104 covers much of the same material but with a slant toward majors.

⁵ ENGL 3104 is a prerequisite.

⁶ English 3804 is a prerequisite.

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¹¹ English 4874 fulfills the senior seminar/writing intensive requirement. English 3804 is a prerequisite.

¹² ENGL 4864 is a co-requisite of ENGL 4874. English 3804 is a prerequisite of ENGL 4864.

¹³ The number of required English Elective Hours has increased because of the hours gained from the elimination of the Writing Intensive requirement and of the Natural Science Lab requirement, which together yielded eight hours. Two of these hours are replaced by the two new 1-hour courses we have added to the major (ENGL 2614 and ENGL 4774). Three have been added to the Free Electives in English, and the remaining three hours have been added to the Required University Electives.

(no more than 3 hours below the 3000-level; at least 6 hours at the 4000-level) (3) _____ (3) _____
 (3) _____

Satisfactory progress towards the B.A. in English in the Professional Writing option requires that, upon having attempted 72 credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, credit by examination, and course withdrawal), students must have passed 12 of the required credits in Section I and have a GPA of 2.0 or better both within the major and overall. In order to enroll in the Professional Writing option, students must have completed both 2515 and 2516 and either 2525 or 2526 with an average of 2.0 or better and completed 2604 with a grade of C or better. Satisfactory progress within the Professional Writing option requires students to complete 3104 and 3804 with an average grade of C or better and a grade of C- or better in each. In order to graduate, students must complete their degrees with a GPA of 2.0 or better both within the English major and overall. All English courses (except 1105, 1106, H1204) are factored into the in-major GPA.

IV. University Liberal Education Requirements.

36 hours

Students who first enrolled in the university in the fall of 2005 and who graduate in 2009 are subject to the Speaking/Visual/Writing requirement. These students should see their advisors for information about how this requirement will be satisfied and documented for the purpose of satisfying graduation requirements. It is the English Department's policy that no student will be affected adversely by this requirement if courses and/or experiences are not yet in place for them to complete prior to graduation.

Area I Writing and Discourse

6 hours (3) _____ ENGL 1105 and
 (3) _____ ENGL 1106 or
 (3) _____ ENGL H1204

Area II Human Ideas, Cultural Traditions, and Values

6 hours Select from approved Liberal Education Curriculum (LEC) Courses. (3) _____ and (3) _____

Area III Society and Human Behavior

6 hours Select from approved (LEC) Courses. (3) _____ and (3) _____

Area IV Scientific Reasoning and Discovery¹⁴

6 Hours Select from approved (LEC) Courses. (3) _____ and (3) _____

Area V Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning

6 hours Select from approved (LEC) Courses. (3) _____ and (3) _____

Area VI Creativity and Aesthetic Experience

3 hours Select from approved (LEC) Courses. (3) _____

Area VII Critical Issues In a Global Context

3 hours Select from approved (LEC) Courses. (3) _____

V. Free Electives for Degree.

34 hours

(3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____ (3) _____
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VI. Foreign Language

0 Hours Toward Degree

3 years in high school _____ or
 2 years in high school plus (3) _____ FL 1106 or
 Less than 2 years in high school plus (0) _____ FL 1105 and (0) _____ FL 1106

The six credits of college-level foreign language used to meet the foreign language requirement may not be used to satisfy the minimum hours requirement.

¹⁴ The two credit hours of related laboratory courses for this category have been waived, as was approved by the Provost during the Summer 2003. The English Department did not in the past use this waiver, but the difficulty our majors have had in registering for lab courses has led us to change our policy and employ the waiver.