

English, BA

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan.

Before the fifth semester begins: at least two courses in the major.

Before the seventh semester begins: at least four more courses (total of six) in the major and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: at least two more courses (total of eight) in the major.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
Major: "Reading and Writing About" course (prefix ENGL numbered 2012-2016)		3
RHET:1030	Rhetoric: Writing and Communication	4
GE CLAS Core: Understanding Cultural Perspectives ^b		3
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^b		3
CSI:1600	Success at Iowa	1
Hours		14
Spring		
ENGL:2010	Foundation of the English Major: Histories, Literatures, Pleasures ^c	3
ENGL:2030	Literary Readings Attendance ^d	1
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^b		3
GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences ^b		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency ^e		4 - 5
Elective course ^f		3
Hours		17-18
Second Year		
Fall		
Major: craft and methods course ^g		3

WRIT:1600	Fast Fixes: Improving Your Writing in Six Short Weeks ^h	1
Major: literature in cultural contexts course (prefix ENGL numbered 2451-2699 and 3441-3699)		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^b		4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency ^e		4 - 5
Elective course ^f		1
Hours		16-17

Spring

Major: english elective or honors seminar ^{i, j, k}		3
Major: literature in cultural contexts course (prefix ENGL numbered 2451-2699 and 3441-3699)		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab ^b		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency ^e		4 - 5
Elective course ^f		3
Hours		16-17

Third Year

Fall

ENGL:2040	English at Work ^d	1
Major: advanced english course (prefix ENGL numbered 4000-4009 or ENGL:4100 Advanced Literary Seminar or ENGL:4150 Introduction to Book Studies)		3
Major: literature in historical contexts (prefix ENGL numbered 2200-2450 and 3200-3440)		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency ^e		4 - 5
Elective course ^f		3
Hours		14-15

Spring

Study Abroad (optional)		
Major: literature in historical contexts (prefix ENGL numbered 2200-2450 and 3200-3440)		3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^b		3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues ^b		3
Elective course ^f		3
Elective course ^f		3
Hours		15

Fourth Year

Fall

Major: english elective or honors seminar ^{i, j, k}		3
GE CLAS Core: Values and Society ^b		3
Elective course ^f		3
Elective course ^f		3
Elective course ^f		2
Hours		14

Spring

Major: elective course		3
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Elective course ^f		3
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Elective course ^f		3
Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall) ^l		
Hours		15
Total Hours		121-125

- a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative or Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Society.
- b GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
- c Major courses can be taken in any order as long as ENGL:2010 is taken before any 3000-level-course.
- d This course is recommended to fulfill the English elective requirement.
- e Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
- f Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
- g English courses (prefix ENGL) numbered 2100 to 2199, 2700 to 2799, 2900 to 2999, 3010, 3100 to 3199, 3700 to 3899, and creative nonfiction writing courses (prefix CNW) numbered 2000 to 4999 may be used for this requirement.
- h This course is recommended but not required for the BA in English.
- i Students may count up to 6 s.h. earned in courses with prefix CW toward the major.
- j Students choose courses with the prefix ENGL, CNW, or CW numbered 2000 or above.
- k Students with honors in the major complete three seminars. Visit the Department of English website for more information on applying to the English Honors Program.
- l Please see Academic Calendar, on Office of the Registrar website, for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.