English (BA)

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The Bachelor of Arts in English offers rigorous study of language, literature, and culture with a triple emphasis on:

- reading and interpreting a variety of complex texts, including a broad range of media and genre
- understanding the cultural and rhetorical contexts for those texts
- comprehending the cultural, literary and rhetorical theories that implicitly and explicitly inform how we read.

While required core courses give students skills in interpretation, writing, and research, the curriculum offers a wide range of choices in literature, media, and time period. Students choose designated period courses to broaden their range of study, and work with faculty advisors to customize a course of study that reflects their individual interests and intellectual and professional goals.

This is a suggested schedule for the first 2 years for a Primary Major. It is also available as an Additional Major and a Minor.

The remainder of the Major and GenEd can be completed in the junior and senior year.

1st semester
- First-Year Writing (FYW)
- Complete 1:
  - 79-104, Global Histories
  - 36-200, Reasoning with Data
  - Freshman Seminar
- 99-101, C@CM
- xx-xxx, Elective**
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- xx-xxx, Elective**

2nd semester
- Complete 2:
  - 79-104, Global Histories
  - 36-200, Reasoning with Data
  - Freshman Seminar
- 76-xxx, English Course*
- xx-xxx, Elective**
- xx-xxx, Elective**
- 76-245, Shakespeare****

3rd semester
- 76-26x, Survey of Forms***
- 76-294, Interpretive Practices
- 76-3xx, Rhetoric Requirement
- xx-xxx, Elective**
- xx-xxx, Elective**

4th semester
- 76-394, Research in English
- 76-3xx, Period Course
- xx-xxx, Elective**
- xx-xxx, Elective**

*First-Year Writing (FYW) must be completed prior to taking English Core Courses.
**Elective: This space can be used for a pre-requisite course, another GenEd course, major course, or for a course you are interested in.
***Complete One Survey of Forms Courses: 76-260, 76-261, 76-262, 76-265, 76-269.
**** or a 76-2xx-level or 76-3xx-level English period course (pre- or post-1900)

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