

English: Bachelor of Arts Major

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Implementation Date	01-Sep-2015
Start Date(s)	September January May
Intake Type	Open intake
Instructional Cycle	Semester-based
Program Type	Undergraduate
Credential Granted	Baccalaureate Degree
Offered At	Langley Richmond Surrey
Format	Full-time Part-time
How to Apply	www.kpu.ca/admission

DESCRIPTION

The Bachelor of Arts, Major in English program focuses on the diverse literatures of the English-speaking world, including the full range of British, Canadian, and American literary traditions, diasporic literature and literature in translation, oral and written Aboriginal narratives, and classic and contemporary film. This degree will allow students to develop the knowledge, core competencies, and skills characteristic of a traditional Bachelor of Arts program, while preparing them to respond critically and creatively to a wide range of issues and challenges in our community and in society in general. In addition to critical reading, writing and thinking skills, students who complete a Bachelor of Arts in English will be prepared for entry into the labour market through the incorporation of essential employability skills into all of our courses. They will also benefit from the expertise and the commitment to teaching excellence of our faculty, as well as from the small class sizes that characterize undergraduate study at KPU. Arts degrees have high levels of student satisfaction, and the literacy and analytical skills developed in such programs will prepare students to become constructive members of society and to fit well into the workplace.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Students pursuing a major in English must be admitted to the Faculty of Arts.

DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS

Students intending to graduate with this Faculty of Arts Bachelor's degree must declare the credential by the time they complete 60 credits of undergraduate coursework. At the time of declaration, the student must satisfy all of the following requirements:

- In good academic standing with the University
- Completion of a minimum of 18 credits of undergraduate coursework, including the following with a minimum grade of "C":
 - 3 credits of ENGL at the 1100 level or higher
 - 6 credits at the 1100 level or higher in the Major area

CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

Students in the Bachelor of Arts, Major or Minor in English program will begin their first year of study with English 1100, an introductory writing course that is required of all degree students at KPU, followed by one of two introductory literature courses. In their second year, students will choose at least three courses from a variety of 2000-level options designed to provide them with the literary historical knowledge necessary for upper-level study of literature in English. In their third year, students undertake in-depth study in a range of specific literary-historical periods and may concentrate on the development of a specific literary genre, i.e. poetry, fiction, drama or film. Finally, in the fourth year, students examine more sharply focused topics or themes, which are considered from multiple perspectives. (The specific requirements at each level of study, and the different requirements for the Major and Minor programs, are outlined below.)

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in English must complete all requirements in the Bachelor of Arts framework in addition to their major or minor program requirements.

English Major

1000 LEVEL

The 1000 level of study in English provides a foundation for all Bachelor of Arts degree students by providing six to nine credits of critical reading and writing-intensive course work. Courses at the 1100 level focus primarily on the essay form; those at the 1200 level focus primarily on introductions to fiction, poetry and drama. Some instructors also teach film in these courses.

All Bachelor of Arts program students must complete:

ENGL 1100	Introduction to University Writing	3 credits
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And one of:

ENGL 1202	Reading and Writing about Selected Topics	3 credits
ENGL 1204	Reading and Writing about Genre	3 credits

2000 LEVEL

English courses at the 2000 level are accessible to all students who have completed six English course credits from above (or their equivalent).

Must complete:

ENGL 2316	English Literature: 14th to 18th Centuries	3 credits
ENGL 2317	English Literature: 18th to 20th Centuries	3 credits

And one of:

ENGL 2301	Canadian Literature in English	3 credits
ENGL 2309	Literature of the United States of America	3 credits

Students may also take further second-year courses as electives:

ENGL 2300	Advanced Writing and Research	3 credits
ENGL 2315	The Comic Voice	3 credits
ENGL 2319	The Novel in English: Its Development	3 credits
ENGL 2320	Studies in Poetry	3 credits
ENGL 2330	Studies in Drama	3 credits
ENGL 2340	Studies in Fiction	3 credits
ENGL 2350	Critical Studies in Film	3 credits

3000 AND 4000 LEVEL

English courses at the 3000 level are accessible to students who have completed at least 18 credits, including six credits in English at the 1100 level or higher.

English courses at the 4000 level are accessible to students who have completed at least three credits in English at the 3000 level.

In order to satisfy the requirements of the Bachelor of Arts, Major in English program, students must also complete at least thirty credits of study in 3000- and 4000-level English courses. These thirty credits must include a minimum of three credits at the 4000 level and meet the following distribution requirements:

a) Must complete:

ENGL 3300	Critical Theory	3 credits
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b) At least three credits from each group prior to 1900:

Group A:

ENGL 3315	Studies in Chaucer	3 credits
ENGL 3320	Studies in Shakespeare	3 credits
ENGL 3321	English Renaissance Drama, Excluding Shakespeare	3 credits
ENGL 3323	Seventeenth-Century British Literature	3 credits
ENGL 3325	Eighteenth-Century British Literature	3 credits

Group B:

ENGL 3301	Nineteenth-Century Canadian Literature in English	3 credits
ENGL 3306	Literature of the United States: Beginnings to 1865	3 credits
ENGL 3328	Romantic Poetry and Poetics	3 credits
ENGL 3332	Victorian Poetry and Non-Fiction	3 credits
ENGL 3336	The Victorian Novel	3 credits

c) At least 15 credits chosen from the following courses, with at least 3 credits at the 4000-level:

ENGL 3302	Canadian Prose in English from 1900	3 credits
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ENGL 3303	Canadian Poetry in English from 1880 to the Present	3 credits
ENGL 3304	Canadian Drama in English	3 credits
ENGL 3307	Literature of the United States: 1865-1910	3 credits
ENGL 3308	Literature of the United States: 1910-1945	3 credits
ENGL 3309	Literature of the United States: 1945 to the Present	3 credits
ENGL 3310	Literature in Translation	3 credits
ENGL 3313	Reading Canonical Writers	3 credits
ENGL 3317	Readings in the History of Ideas	3 credits
ENGL 3330	Children's Literature	3 credits
ENGL 3340	Cross-Cultural World Literature	3 credits
ENGL 3345	Diasporic Literatures	3 credits
ENGL 3350	Literature and Film	3 credits
ENGL 3351	Studies in Modernism	3 credits
ENGL 3352	The British Novel, 1900-1945	3 credits
ENGL 3355	Modern and Contemporary Drama	3 credits
ENGL 3356	Modern and Contemporary Poetry	3 credits
ENGL 3358	British Fiction since 1945	3 credits
ENGL 3360	Writing Women/Women Writing	3 credits
ENGL 3370	Life Writing	3 credits
ENGL 3380	Popular Writing	3 credits
ENGL 3390	Indigenous Narratives, Oral and Written	3 credits
ENGL 4300	Writing and Persuasion Beyond the Classroom	3 credits
ENGL 4350	Topics in Film Studies	3 credits
ENGL 4400	English Studies in the Classroom	3 credits
ENGL 4401	Topics in Canadian Literature	3 credits
ENGL 4409	Topics in Literature of the United States	3 credits
ENGL 4700	Special Topics in Literature	3 credits

d) At least six further credits of ENGL at the 3000- or 4000-level, for a minimum total of 30 upper-level ENGL credits.

Note:

- The grade for each English course taken towards a Major in English must be a 'C' or better.
- Courses will be offered on a rotating basis (i.e. not all courses will be available in a given year). KPU will ensure, however, that each of the time periods (prior to 1900 and after 1900) is represented every year.

CREDENTIAL AWARDED

Upon successful completion of the major program students are eligible to receive a **Bachelor of Arts**. Transcripts will indicate a **Major in English**.