

# English: Bachelor of Arts Minor

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| <b>Faculty of Arts</b>     | kpu.ca/arts                   |
| <b>English</b>             | kpu.ca/arts/english           |
| <b>Implementation Date</b> | 01-Sep-2011                   |
| <b>Start Date(s)</b>       | September<br>January<br>May   |
| <b>Intake Type</b>         | Open intake                   |
| <b>Instructional Cycle</b> | Semester-based                |
| <b>Program Type</b>        | Undergraduate                 |
| <b>Credential Granted</b>  | Baccalaureate Degree          |
| <b>Offered At</b>          | Langley<br>Richmond<br>Surrey |
| <b>Format</b>              | Full-time<br>Part-time        |
| <b>How to Apply</b>        | www.kpu.ca/admission          |

## DESCRIPTION

The Bachelor of Arts Minor in English 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. It also allows 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. A Minor in English is complementary to students with Majors in History, Creative Writing, Psychology, Criminology, Journalism, or Philosophy, among many others as the critical reading, writing, and thinking skills which students acquire in their English studies will benefit them in virtually all of their undergraduate studies. Furthermore, students will benefit from the expertise and the commitment to teaching excellence of the English faculty, as well as from the small class sizes that characterize undergraduate study at KPU.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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

## DECLARATION REQUIREMENTS

Students pursuing this minor must declare their intention prior to graduation.

## 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 Minor

### 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.

#### All Bachelor of Arts program students must complete:

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

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| ENGL 1202 | Reading and Writing about Selected Topics | 3 credits |
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| ENGL 1204 | Reading and Writing about Genre | 3 credits |
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### 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).

#### Bachelor of Arts, Minor in English program students must complete:

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| ENGL 2316 | English Literature: 14th to 18th Centuries | 3 credits |
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| ENGL 2317 | English Literature: 18th to 20th Centuries | 3 credits |
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#### And one of:

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| ENGL 2301 | Canadian Literature in English | 3 credits |
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| ENGL 2309 | Literature of the United States of America | 3 credits |
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#### Any other 2300-level English courses may be used as electives.

### 3000 AND 4000 LEVEL

English courses at the 3000 level are accessible to students who have completed at least six credits in English at the 2000 level. English courses at the 4000 level are accessible to students who have completed at least three credits in English at the 3000 level.

**Bachelor of Arts, Minor in English program students must complete:**

ENGL 3300    Critical Theory                    3 credits

**And twelve credits chosen from among the other 3000-level and 4000-level English courses, at least 3 credits of which is from the 4000 level.**

**Note:** The grade for each English course taken towards a Minor in English must be a 'C' or better.

## **CREDENTIAL AWARDED**

Upon successful completion of the minor as part of a Bachelor of Arts program, transcripts will indicate a **Minor in English**.