

ENGLISH - PROFESSIONAL WRITING (BACHELOR OF ARTS)

The Bachelor of Arts degree in English with a concentration in Professional Writing requires a total of 120 hours.

Students seeking the Bachelor of Arts in English with a concentration in Professional Writing may minor in Literature or Creative Writing, but may not minor in Professional Writing. Students choosing to minor in Literature or Creative Writing may not double count any 200-, 300-, and 400-level coursework toward both the major and minor.

The major requires 39 hours of English and approved courses, which must include the following thirty-hour (30) English core.

Course	Title	Credits
English Major Core		
EH 250	Introduction to English Studies (WI)	3
Literature Surveys		6
Select one six-hour literature survey sequence from the following:		
EH 201 & EH 202	American Literature I: Beginnings to 1865 and American Literature II: 1865 to Present	
EH 203 & EH 204	British Literature I: Beginnings to 1800 and British Literature II: 1800 to Present	
EH 219 & EH 220	Honors Literature I and Honors Literature II	
EH 231 & EH 232	World Literature I: Beginnings to 1660 and World Literature II: 1660 to Present	
Creative and Professional Writing		3
Select three (3) hours from the following:		
EH 251	Introduction to Creative Writing	
EH 253	Introduction to Digital Humanities	
EH 322	Technical Writing (WI)	
EH 323	Writing for the Workplace (WI)	
EH 330	Writing for the Web (WI)	
EH 331	Writing for Social Media (WI)	
EH 332	Writing for Podcasts (WI)	
EH 333	Writing about Gaming (WI)	
EH 351	Creative Writing: Fiction	
EH 352	Creative Writing: Poetry	
EH 353	Creative Writing: Nonfiction	
EH 354	Creative Writing: Special Topics	
EH 355	Publishing Practicum	
EH 432	Writing for Nonprofits (WI)	
EH 433	Writing for Social Change (WI)	
EH 434	Professional Writing: Special Topics (WI)	
EH 435	Creative Collective (WI)	
EH 482	Grantwriting	
EH 491	Internship	
THR 351	Playwriting and Screenwriting	
Rhetoric and the Study of English as a Language		3
Select three (3) hours from the following:		

EH 307	English Grammar	
EH 308	Introduction to Linguistics	
EH 321	Advanced Grammar and Linguistics	
EH 344	Advanced Composition (WI)	
EH 346	Advanced Oral Communication	
EH 347	Theory of Speech	
EH 408	Theory of Composition	
EH 415	Advanced Argumentation (WI)	
EH 441	The History of the English Language	
Literary History		9
Select nine (9) hours from the following:		
EH 309	Film Noir, Classics, and Melodrama	
EH 311	Romantic Poetry	
EH 313	Twentieth-Century Poetry	
EH 325	Major Authors	
EH 326	Science Fiction and Fantasy Literature	
EH 349	The Literature of Young Adults	
EH 370	The American Novel	
EH 371	Contemporary Fiction	
EH 372	The Graphic Novel	
EH 373	Twentieth-Century Drama	
EH 375	Southern Literature	
EH 379	The Bible as Literature	
EH 401	Chaucer	
EH 402	Special Studies in the English Renaissance	
EH 405	Shakespeare's England	
EH 406	Shakespeare	
EH 409	The Art of the Film (WI)	
EH 410	American Drama	
EH 411	Eighteenth-Century Literature	
EH 412	Victorian Poetry	
EH 413	English Drama	
EH 417	Writing the Vietnam War	
EH 419	Milton	
EH 423	Alabama Literature	
EH 424	Special Topics in Film Studies	
EH 452	Literary Criticism	
EH 453	The English Novel	
EH 467	Twentieth-Century English Fiction	
EH 484	Current New York Theatre	
Diversity		3
Select three (3) hours from the following:		
EH 303	Survey of African American Literature I	
EH 304	Survey of African American Literature II	
EH 305	Native American Literature	
EH 325	Major Authors (if topic is applicable)	
EH 402	Special Studies in the English Renaissance (if topic is applicable)	
EH 420	Women's Literature	
EH 424	Special Topics in Film Studies (if topic is applicable)	
EH 428	LGBTQ+ Literature	

EH 431	Non-Western Literature	
EH 442	Contemporary African American Writers	
Senior Capstone		3
EH 499	Capstone Seminar (WI)	
Total Hours		30

The Professional Writing concentration consists of nine (9) hours in addition to the English core classes.

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Professional Writing Concentration		9
Select nine (9) hours from the following:		
EH 253	Introduction to Digital Humanities	
EH 322	Technical Writing (WI)	
EH 323	Writing for the Workplace (WI)	
EH 330	Writing for the Web (WI)	
EH 331	Writing for Social Media (WI)	
EH 332	Writing for Podcasts (WI)	
EH 333	Writing about Gaming (WI)	
EH 355	Publishing Practicum	
EH 432	Writing for Nonprofits (WI)	
EH 433	Writing for Social Change (WI)	
EH 434	Professional Writing: Special Topics (WI)	
EH 435	Creative Collective (WI)	
EH 482	Grantwriting	
EH 491	Internship	
Total Hours		9

For the English major, a minimum of 12 of the 39 hours must be taken at the 300/400 level at JSU. The English major also requires 12 hours of a single foreign language (FL 101-102, FL 201-202). Students who plan careers in education should contact Teacher Education Services in the College of Education and Professional Studies, Ramona Wood Hall, Room 207, for information on certification and assessment into Education.

In addition to courses noted below, candidates for graduation must successfully complete all JSU Academic Regulations. More information about general education requirements can be found in the Summary of Degrees/Requirements (<https://catalog.jsu.edu/undergraduate/summary-degrees-requirements/>) section of the catalog.

Freshman		
Fall		Hours
EH Composition sequence		3
Natural Science		4
MS 110	Finite Mathematics (or higher)	3
History Sequence		3
Social/Behavioral Science		3
SSC 101	First Year Experience	0
Hours		16
Spring		
EH Composition sequence		3
EH 141	Speech	3
Natural Science		4
History Sequence		3
Elective		1
Hours		14

Sophomore		
Fall		Hours
Fine Arts		3
Literature Sequence		3
Foreign Language sequence ¹		3
EH 250	Introduction to English Studies (WI)	3
CS 201	Introduction to Information Technology	3
Hours		15
Spring		
Literature Sequence		3
Foreign Language sequence ¹		3
Social/Behavioral Science		3
Professional Writing Course		3
Rhetoric and the Study of English as a Language Course		3
Hours		15
Junior		
Fall		Hours
Foreign Language sequence ¹		3
Creative and Professional Writing Course		3
Literary History Course		3
Minor/Electives		6
Hours		15
Spring		
Foreign Language sequence ¹		3
Diversity Literature Course		3
Professional Writing Course		3
Minor/Electives 300+		6
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		Hours
Literary History Course		3
Professional Writing Course		3
Minor/Electives 300+		9
Hours		15
Spring		
EH 499	Capstone Seminar (WI)	3
Literary History Course		3
Minor/Electives 300+		9
Hours		15
Total Hours		120

¹ Sequence must be taken in the same foreign language.