

Bachelor of Science in English: Professional and Creative Writing Concentration

Program Overview

All Manchester University English graduates share one trait: they are prepared. Whether they teach, enter the business, publishing, or creative world, or attend law or graduate schools, Manchester English majors leave college ready to meet new opportunities and to face diverse challenges. Students who choose to concentrate in professional and creative writing take, in addition to courses in literature, journalism, and professional and creative writing, an internship that gives them experience working in a professional setting.

Degree Requirements

To earn this degree, students must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher in the Major as well as an overall GPA of 2.0, complete a minimum of 120 credit hours, and fulfill the course requirements of the program listed below.

*This is a sample plan; specific courses may vary from year to year. Academic advisors will work with each student to develop their individual schedule.

Major-Specific Required Courses		CREDITS
✓		
ENG 115^	Introduction to Literature	3
ENG 201^	Journalism: Reporting	3
ENG 317^	Journalism Editing and Ethics	3
ENG 321	Shakespeare	3
ENG 358	<i>Spectrum</i> Publication	1
ENG 363	Topics in Creative Writing	3
ENG 365	Professional Writing	3
ENG 477	Internship in Writing	3
ENG 4XX	Senior Thesis	1
Choose 1 of the following:		CREDITS
ENG 310	Structure of the English Language	3
ENG 311	History of the English Language	3
Choose 1 of the following:		CREDITS
ENG 332	American Literature I: Colonial & Antebellum	3
ENG 333	American Literature II: Postbellum Authors	3
Choose 1 of the following:		CREDITS
ENG 340	Brit. Lit. I: The Middle Ages to the Enlightenment	3
ENG 344	British Literature II: The Romantics & Victorians	3
Six hours of electives from English courses (200 level and above)		CREDITS
ENG XXX	(ELECTIVE)	3
ENG XXX	(ELECTIVE)	3

Total Program Credits: 120+

MAJOR	*Options
CORE	^CORE equivalent
ELECTIVE/MINOR	
EXPERIENTIAL	

CORE		CREDITS
✓	Foundation	
LA-FWS	First-Year Writing Seminar	3
LA-FCS	First-Year Communication Seminar	3
LA-FQR	Quantitative Reasoning	3-4
LA-FSS	First Year Success Seminar	1
LA-FCG	Cultural and Global Understanding	3-5
Exploration		
LA-EAH	Arts and Humanities	3
LA-ENS	Natural Sciences	3-6
LA-ESS	Social Sciences	3-4
Transformation		
LA-TFR	Faith, Reason, and Ethics	3
LA-TBI	Big Issues - 2 courses	6-7
LA-TCE	Creative Expression	1-3
Additional credits to bring total to 120+ credits		CREDITS
✓	Electives	
	Experiential Learning	

Example Course Sequence:

The following is a sample of a semester-by-semester approach to completing this program in 4 years.

YEAR 1			
FIRST SEMESTER			
COURSE		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
ENG 115^	Introduction to Literature	3	
ENG 201^	Journalism Reporting	3	
LA-FWS	First-Year Writing Seminar	3	
LA-FCS	First-Year Communication Seminar	3	
LA-FSS	First Year Success Seminar	1	
JAN TERM			
COURSE		CREDITS	
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3	
SECOND SEMESTER			
COURSE		CREDITS	
ENG 317^	Journalism Editing and Ethics	3	
ENG XXX	(ELECTIVE)	3	
LA-FQR	Quantitative Reasoning	3	
LA-ENS	Natural Sciences	3	
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YEAR 2			
THIRD SEMESTER			
COURSE		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES
ENG 332	American Literature I: Colonial & Antebellum	3	
ENG 321	Shakespeare	3	FYWS 111 or ENG 365
ENG 311	History of the English Language	3	
LA-FCG	Cultural and Global Understanding	3	
JAN TERM			
COURSE		CREDITS	
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3	
FOURTH SEMESTER			
COURSE		CREDITS	
ENG 365	Professional Writing	3	
LA-ESS	Social Sciences	3	
LA-TFR	Faith, Reason, and Ethics	3	
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3	
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3	
		30	

4-Year Sample Schedule Cont.

YEAR 3							
FIFTH SEMESTER							
COURSE		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES				
ENG 340	Brit. Lit. I: The Middle Ages to the Enlighten	3					
ENG 363	Topics in Creative Writing	3					
LA-TBI	Big Issues - 2 courses	3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
JAN TERM							
COURSE		CREDITS					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
SIXTH SEMESTER							
COURSE		CREDITS					
ENG XXX	(ELECTIVE)	3					
ENG 358	<i>Spectrum</i> Publication	1					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
EXPERIENTIAL		3					
		31					

YEAR 4							
SEVENTH SEMESTER							
COURSE		CREDITS	PREREQUISITES				
ENG 4XX	Senior Thesis	1					
LA-TBI	Big Issues - 2 courses	3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
EXPERIENTIAL		3					
JAN TERM							
COURSE		CREDITS					
EXPERIENTIAL		3					
EIGHTH SEMESTER							
COURSE		CREDITS					
ENG 477	Internship in Writing	3	B or above in ENG 201; ENG 317; ENG 363 or 364				
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
ELECTIVE/MINOR		3					
EXPERIENTIAL		3					
		31					
	TOTAL CREDITS	120					