

# English

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Welcome to the Department of English! We are a large and diverse department, featuring undergraduate and graduate programs in English and American Literature, English Education, and Rhetoric and Writing Studies, including a Ph.D. program in Rhetoric and Composition, M.A. degrees in English and American Literature and Rhetoric and Writing Studies, an M.A.T. degree in English Education, and B.A. degrees in English and American Literature (ENAL) and English Education (ENGL). The First Year Composition sequence is housed in our department, which means that virtually every undergraduate student at UTEP comes into contact with us at one time or another. Our faculty have published widely across the fields represented in our department, and many of them have won awards for teaching and student support, as well as being recognized for their scholarship. We are committed to achieving the highest quality of scholarship and teaching, and we pride ourselves on welcoming and supporting our students at all levels, from their first semester in the university to the completion of their highest degree.

## Undergraduate Degree Requirements

Requirements for all undergraduate degrees from The University of Texas at El Paso include successful completion of RWS 1302 or ENGL 1313 (or ESOL 1312). Course work toward this goal consists of a three-step program to develop college-level competence in composition, rhetoric, and research procedures. This program is designed to provide students the skills in language and communication which they will need for the remainder of their undergraduate careers and for professional achievement in their selected fields following graduation.

Students place into a first-year composition course by virtue of their placement test scores. Students should be enrolled in a composition course every semester until they complete the first-year composition sequence. All students must present test scores for placement into the first-year composition program. For information in this catalog concerning placement into the proper freshman composition courses, students should refer to the University College section, under Student Assessment and Testing,

## Developmental English Program

The Developmental English Program prepares students for the first-year composition sequence. The program consists of ENGL 0111, ENGL 0310, and ENGL 0311. The program is located in the Education Building Room 205; the phone number is 915.747.5693.

## English Degree Concentrations

Students are expected to consult with the Director of Literature, the Director of English Education, or the Director of Rhetoric and Writing Studies concerning the selection of concentrations and courses.

## Bilingual Professional Writing Certificate

Students in any major who have some fluency in both English and Spanish are eligible to pursue certification. They are required to pass, with a B or better, a combination of two English classes and two Translation classes in the Department of Languages and Linguistics. They then pass an exit exam to receive the certificate. For further information, consult either the Department of English or the Department of Languages and Linguistics.

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- BA in English and American Literature (<http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/english-american-literature-ba/>)
- BA in Technical Writing and User Experience (<http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/ba-technical-writing/>)

### Minor

- Minor in English & American Literature (<http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/english-american-literature-minor/>)
- Minor in English: Rhetoric/Writing Studies (<http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/english-rhetoric-writing-studies-minor/>)

### Certificates

- Undergraduate Certificate in Bilingual Professional Writing ([http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/bilingual\\_professional\\_writing/](http://catalog.utep.edu/undergrad/college-of-liberal-arts/english/bilingual_professional_writing/))

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