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B.A.Ed. in English: Elementary Education

College of Humanities and Social Sciences
Woodring College of Education

What Is the Study of English-Elementary Education?

Courses in the major are divided into four categories: Literature Studies, Writing, Language Theory, and Methods for Teaching English/Language Arts. Literature courses include historical and cultural explorations of a variety of literary texts, including children's literature. This major also requires completion of required courses for Elementary Education certification offered through Woodring College of Education.

Why Should I Consider This Major?

Elementary Education allows students to combine a major in English with the undergraduate teacher certification program provided by the Woodring College of Education. It offers a focused background in English/Language Arts in preparation for certification as a K-8 teacher.

How to Declare:

Students are strongly encouraged to meet with the department advisors early in their careers at Western; students must declare their major by the start of their junior year. Though we cannot guarantee immediate enrollment in the major or access to any specific class, we matriculate students into the major on a rolling basis as space is available and offer a wide variety of topics each term.

Students may begin their English-Elementary Education major before acceptance into Woodring College of Education.

Mid-Program Checkpoint:

Students intending to complete a Bachelor's of Arts in Education degree in English—Elementary within four years should complete the following courses by the start of their junior year. Students are expected to follow all prerequisite requirements for courses and seek early departmental advisement.

Coursework:

Complete ENG 101.

Complete ENG 202 or 203 and 15 credits toward the major.

Other Activities:

Declare or apply for major.

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Sample Careers:

Elementary Education
Teacher

Middle School
English/Language Arts
Teacher



English-Elementary Education Major Requirements: 45 Credits

ENG 370 Introduction to Language (5)

Students who earn a B grade or better in Linguistics 201 may substitute a 300 or 400-level English course under advisement for English 370.

ENG 440 Teaching Language Arts in the Elementary School (5)

ENG 441 Children's Literature for the Elementary and Middle School Teacher (5)

ENG 446 Teaching Writing in the Elementary School (5) WP3

Choose one:

ENG 436 The Structure of English (5)

ENG 438 Cultural History of English (5)

ENG 439 Topics in Language and Linguistics (5)

ENG 442 Studies in Literacy and Learning (5)

Choose one:

ENG 301 Writing Studies (5) WP3

ENG 302 Introduction to Technical and Professional Writing (5) WP3

ENG 350 Introduction to Creative Writing (5)

ENG 351 Introduction to Fiction Writing (5)

ENG 353 Introduction to Poetry Writing (5)

ENG 354 Introduction to Creative Nonfiction Writing (5)

ENG 401 Senior Seminar in Writing and Rhetoric (5) WP3

Choose three courses in literature at the 300 or 400 level:

ENG 307 Literature and Culture I: Pre-16th Century (5)

ENG 308 Literature and Culture II: 16th and 17th Centuries (5)

ENG 309 Literature and Culture III: 18th and 19th Centuries (5)

ENG 310 Literature and Culture IV: 19th and 20th Centuries (5)

ENG 311 Literature and Culture V: 20th and 21st Centuries (5)

ENG 327 Studies in Historically Marginalized Literatures (5)

ENG 335 Literary and Creative Expressions Across Cultures (5)

ENG 336 Scriptural Literatures (5)

ENG 338 Women and Literature (5)

ENG 339 Mythology and Literature (5)

ENG 340 Comparative Literature (5)

ENG 347 Studies in Young Adult Literature (5)

ENG 410 Studies in Literary History (5) WP3

ENG 415 Special Topics in National Literatures (5) WP3

ENG 423 Studies in Major Authors (5) WP3

Other English Options:

B.A. English—Literature Emphasis (60 credits)

B.A. English—Creative Writing Emphasis (58-60 credits)

B.A. English—Literature Emphasis with Secondary Education Interest (65 credits)

Minor in Creative Writing (25 credits)

Minor in English (25 credits)

Minor in Film Studies (23-25 credits)

Minor in Women's Literature (25 credits)

Minor in Writing and Rhetoric Studies (25 credits)

These courses are offered within this major and may be used to satisfy GUR or Writing Proficiency requirements.

BCOM: ENG 202, 203

HUM: ENG 336

ACGM: ENG 335

BGCM: ENG 338

WP: Three Writing Proficiency points are required for graduation (they are noted as WP1, WP2, and WP3). Check [Classfinder](#) or [Online Timetable](#) for departmental offerings each quarter.