

## **FACT**

Literature is the thought of thinking souls.

*Thomas Carlyle (1795–1881)*

Literature—the most seductive, the most deceiving, the most dangerous of professions.

*John, Viscount Morley (1838–1923)*

## **Real World Preparation**

A degree in English helps you develop the ability to think clearly and critically, to analyze and interpret data, and to communicate results. Such skills are in great demand by employers and career opportunities are abundant for graduates with an English degree.

At Governors State University, the Bachelor of Arts in English offers you a strong academic background in English studies, the creative analysis of literature, and extended practice in writing. Within the undergraduate English degree, you may pursue coursework in literature, language, composition, technical writing, or related studies in the humanities.

GSU's English program goes beyond a traditional study of classic literature. You also have the opportunity to study other cultures and societies through readings in African American, Native American, Latin, Asian, and women's literature. You will learn critical theory and discover analytical techniques that can be applied to any field in any profession. A broad and comprehensive curriculum helps you better understand the world, and learn how to inform and persuade others through written and verbal communication.

## **Unlimited Opportunity**

GSU offers a superior educational opportunity at an affordable tuition rate without sacrificing the professional quality of its programs. GSU's outstanding faculty and real-world curriculum prepare graduates to meet the demands of the future.

## **For more Information:**

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## Degree Requirements

Students must meet all university requirements for a bachelor's degree.

## General Education Requirement (37 – 41 Hours)

See Bachelor's Degree Requirements for general education requirements.

## Required Courses (39 Hours)

The following courses can be taken at either the lower-division or upper-division level:

American Literature I & II (6)  
English Literature I & II (6)

The following courses must be taken at the upper-division level:

ENGL - 3099 Literary Criticism (3)  
ENGL - 4100 Advanced Composition (3)

ENGL - 4110 Linguistics (3)  
OR  
ENGL - 4205 Modern English Grammar (3)

ENGL - 4505 Major English Authors (3)  
ENGL - 4515 Major Black Authors (3)  
ENGL - 4510 Major American Authors (3)  
ENGL - 4520 Contemporary Literature (3)  
ENGL - 4550 Shakespeare's Plays (3)  
ENGL - 4900 English Capstone (3)

## Selectives (9 Hours)

Must be taken at the upper-division level:  
Take three 4000 level literature courses.

## Electives (35 Hours)

**Total - 120 Hours**

