Twenty-first century employers cite empathy, critical thinking, and strong writing skills as key to career success. The study of literature increases our ability to think and write critically and creatively about the world, to better understand cultural differences, and to promote social justice.
Program highlights

Master skills desired by hiring professionals such as communicating clearly, critically, and creatively; working and thinking independently; collaborating with colleagues and clients; and interpreting and analyzing text, speech, and data.

Prepare for graduate school and post-college careers in business, education, publishing, law, information technology, and countless other fields.

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Career options

Don’t believe what you’ve heard—a major in English is versatile when it comes to career opportunities and advancement. Our students develop transferable skills that prepare them for employment in a wide range of fields.

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» Advertising Executive
» Author
» Copywriter
» Counselor
» Editor
» Entrepreneur
» Government Official
» Journalist
» Lawyer
» Librarian

» Literary Scholar
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» Manuscript Reviewer
» Philanthropist
» Psychologist
» Public Relations Specialist
» Research Analyst
» Screenwriter
» Teacher (K-12 or postsecondary)
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