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## MEMORANDUM

To: College/University Undergraduate Program Committee
From: Julia Mason, English Department
Date: September 29, 2022
Subject: B.A. English Program Change

Request: The Department of English requests a change to our B.A. English optional areas of concentration. We propose eliminating four of our five concentrations-American Literature, British Literature, Multicultural and Gender Studies, and World Literature. We propose keeping Writing and Rhetoric as a concentration.

Rationale: As a broad field, literary studies is attempting to decrease the segregation between "multicultural" or "ethnic" studies and the national literatures of which they are properly a part. For that reason, there is little reason to have separate concentrations in American Literature, British Literature, and Multicultural/Gender Literature, and World Literature.

## Additional Reasons:

- Past program reviews and departmental self-studies have noted students' concentrations are often based on what courses they've already taken (i.e. concentrations are often declared due to coincidence rather than deliberation or planning)
- Over the past three years, the numbers of B.A. English graduates with literature concentrations is decreasing while numbers of B.A. English graduates with the Writing and Rhetoric concentration are increasing. This suggests the Writing and Rhetoric concentration is taken more deliberately, is more in demand, and may be more beneficial to students.

Requested changes to the course catalog are on subsequent pages.

## COURSE CATALOG CHANGES

(https://www.fau.edu/academic/registrar/FAUcatalog/artsandletters.php\#english)
deletions are marked in grey strike through with yellow highlight; additions are marked in red

## Bachelor of Arts Degree

(Minimum of 120 credits required)

English majors develop advanced skills in writing and critical interpretation that are valued by employers in a number of fields. They have established careers in law, medicine, entertainment, communications, information technology, journalism, speech writing, government, publishing and teaching.

All English majors acquire a broad background in literature in English taking courses that stress literary history, literary genres and the achievements of individual authors. Depending upon their particular interests, majors may also pursue one of five a concentrations: American Literature, British Literature, Multicultural and Gender Studies, in Writing and Rhetoric., and World Literature.

The Multicultural and Gender Studies concentration offers coursework in literatures that have not been dominant in the Anglo-American tradition, for example, literature by women, Caribbean literature, African-American literature, Asian-American literature, Latino/a literature, Native-American literature and Jewish-American literature. The Writing and Rhetoric concentration includes courses in both creative writing and rhetoric/composition. Creative writing courses focus on the writing of poetry, fiction and nonfiction. Rhetoric and composition courses focus on the professional, intellectual, academic, commercial, historical and theoretical dimensions of writing. The World Literature concentration offers courses from the Department of English and the Department of Languages, Linguistics, and Comparative Literature. Its curriculum focuses on literatures other than British and American.

Qualified undergraduate majors may apply to the Honors Program in English or Honors Program in Creative Writing. An English Internship Program and Secondary Education Program are also available.

## Prerequisite Coursework for Transfer Students

Students transferring to Florida Atlantic University must complete both lower-division requirements (including the requirements of the Intellectual Foundations Program) and requirements for the College and major. Lower-division requirements may be completed through the A.A. degree from any Florida public college, university or community college or through equivalent coursework at another regionally accredited institution. Before transferring and to ensure timely progress toward the baccalaureate degree, students must also complete the prerequisite courses for their major as outlined in the Transition Guides.

All courses not approved by the Florida Statewide Course Numbering System that will be used to satisfy requirements will be evaluated individually on the basis of content and will require a catalog course description and a copy of the syllabus for assessment.

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## Bachelor of Arts with Major in English

All courses listed below have as a prerequisite the successful completion of the English Composition sequence (ENC 1101 and ENC 1102, or their equivalents, with minimum grade of " C "). Grades in all courses taken in the major must average "C" or 2.0 or higher, and no course with a grade of "D+" or below will count toward the major. Students whose grades in major courses average below a "C" or 2.0 will not be able to graduate with an English major. Except where noted, courses cannot be counted twice. With these conditions being met, completion of the English major will require 39 credits drawn from the following:

## English Undergraduate Curriculum (39 credits)

(Courses cannot be counted twice.)

| Introduction to Literary Studies | ENG | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (It is strongly recommended that students take this course concurrently with or before their first upper-division English course. English majors should not take any more than three upper-division courses before taking ENG 3822.) |  |  |
| Criticism |  | 3 |
| Literary Theory | LIT 3213 | 3 |
| Philosophy of Literature | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{\|\|l\|l} \mathrm{PHI} \\ 3882 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |
| Literature* |  |  |
| (At least two courses must pay significant attention to literature before 1800. These courses are marked by * below. No more than 6 credits at the 2000 level.) |  |  |
| Category 1: Literature of Ethnicity, Gender and Culture |  | 6 |
| Florida Women Writers | AML | 3 |
| Florida Writers | AML <br> 3265 | 3 |
| African-American Literature to 1895 | AML 4604 | 3 |
| African-American Literature 1895 to Present | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{AML} \\ & 4607 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| U.S. Latino/a Literatures | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { AML } \\ & 4630 \end{aligned}\right.$ | 3 |
| American-Indian Literature | AML | 3 |
| Jewish-American Literature | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \mathrm{AML} \\ 4663 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |
| Asian-American Literatures | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{\|l\|l} \mathrm{AML} \\ 4673 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |


| Irish Literature | LIT 3184 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Comparative Literature | LIT 4061 | 3 |
| Caribbean Literatures in English | LIT 4192 | 3 |
| World Literature: Critical Approaches | LIT 4225 | 3 |
| Postcolonial Literature | LIT 4233 | 3 |
| Major Writers of World Literature in English | LIT 4244 | 3 |
| Black Literatures | LIT 4355 | 3 |
| Women and Literature | LIT 4383 | 3 |
| Comparative European Romanticism | LIT 4604 | 3 |
| Directed Independent Research | LIT 4915 | 1-3 |
| Directed Independent Research | LIT 4916 | 0-3 |
| AML 4930, ENG 4932, ENL 4930 and LIT 4930 are Special Topics courses and may also count for this category if approved by the department. |  |  |
| Category 2: American and British Literature \& Specialized Subjects and Genre Studies |  | 15 |
| American Literature to 1865 | \|AML | 3 |
| American Literature from 1865 | AML | 3 |
| American Novel: 19th Century | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|} \hline \text { AML } \\ \hline 3111 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 3 |
| American Novel: 20th Century | AML | 3 |
| Literature of the South | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{AML} \\ & 3263 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Colonial and Early American Literature | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{AML} \\ & 4213 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| American Literature: 19th-Century Traditions | AML | 3 |
| American Literature: 20th-Century Movements | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{AML} \\ & 4242 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Major American Writers: 19th Century | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \mathrm{AML} \\ 4311 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 3 |
| Major American Writers: 20th Century | AML | 3 |
| Directed Independent Research | AML 4915 | 1-3 |
| Directed Independent Research | $\begin{array}{\|l} \mathrm{AML} \\ 4916 \end{array}$ | 0-3 |


| Literature and Film | ENG | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| British Literature to 1798 | ENL | 3 |
| British Literature since 1798 | $\sqrt{\text { ENL }} \begin{aligned} & \text { 2022 } \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| British Novel: 18th Century* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 3112 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| British Novel: 19th Century | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 3122 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| British Novel: 20th Century | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 3132 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Backgrounds for British and American Literature | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 3425 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Medieval Literature* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4210 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Renaissance Literature* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4220 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| 17th-Century Literature* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4221 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| 18th-Century Literature* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4230 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| British Romanticism | ENL | 3 |
| Victorian Literature | $\sqrt{\mathrm{ENL}}$ | 3 |
| Victorian Genres and Themes | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4264 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| 20th-Century British Literature | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4273 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Chaucer* | $\sqrt{\text { ENL }} \begin{aligned} & \\ & 4311 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Shakespeare* | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4333 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Milton* | $\sqrt{\text { ENL }} \begin{aligned} & \text { 4341 } \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Directed Independent Research | $\sqrt{\text { ENL }} \begin{aligned} & 4915 \end{aligned}$ | 1-3 |
| Directed Independent Research | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{ENL} \\ & 4916 \end{aligned}$ | 0-3 |
| Modern Drama | LIT 3043 | 3 |


| Fantasy Literature | LIT 3312 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Science Fiction | LIT 3313 | 3 |
| Literature of Adolescence | LIT 3333 | 3 |
| Detective Fiction | LIT 3344 | 3 |
| Literary Genres | LIT 4001 | 3 |
| Modern Poetry | LIT 4032 | 3 |
| Contemporary Drama | LIT 4094 | 3 |
| Literature and Environment | LIT 4434 | 3 |
| Literature and Social Movements | LIT 4484 | 3 |
| Literature of War | LIT 4605 | 3 |
| AML 4930, ENG 4932, ENL 4930 and LIT 4930 are Special Topics courses and may also count for this category if approved by the department. |  |  |
| Category 3: Writing and Rhetoric |  | 3 |
| Advanced Exposition | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \text { ENC } \\ 3310 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |
| Professional Writing | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \text { ENC } \\ 3213 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |
| Principles of Research Writing | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} \text { ENC } \\ 4138 \end{array}\right.$ | 3 |
| Writing for Nonprofits | $\\| \text { ENC }$ | 3 |
| Special Topics | ENC | 3 |
| Directed Independent Research | $\\| \begin{array}{ll} \text { ENC } \\ 4915 \end{array}$ | 1-3 |
| Directed Independent Research | $\\| \text { ENC }$ | 0-3 |
| Studies in Writing and Rhetoric | ENG | 3 |
| Creative Writing | $\\| \begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 3010 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Fiction Workshop 1 | $\\| \begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4120 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Fiction Workshop 2 | $\\| \begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4121 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Creative Writing: Non-Fiction Writing | $\sqrt{C R W}$ | 3 |
| Poetic Forms | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4311 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |


| Poetry Workshop 1 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4310 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Poetry Workshop 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4321 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Literary Editing and Publishing | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4723 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Special Topics | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CRW } \\ & 4930 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Honors Creative Writing Seminar | $\begin{aligned} & C R W \\ & 4932 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Structure of Modern English | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{LIN} \\ & 4680 \end{aligned}$ | 3 |
| Category 4: Courses that may be taken from another department in Arts and Letters (please see advisor for these courses) |  |  |

## Electives at 3000 level and above ( 9 credits)

Students must complete an additional 9 credits, choosing courses from Categories 1-4. All must be earned at the 3000 or 4000 level. With departmental approval, 3 credits may be taken from another department in the College of Arts and Letters, provided the course has an English disciplinary focus (e.g., SPT 4130, Latin American Literature in Translation). The concentration in World Literatures may draw upon courses listed under the description of that concentration without regard to department. The department offers an internship, ENG 4940, a 1-6 credit course that also counts toward electives.

Optional Area of Concentration in Writing and Rhetoric
Areas of concentration A concentration in Writing and Rhetoric is may be achieved by allocating electives according to one of the following options: and taking three additional** courses from Category 3 above (fiction and poetry workshops may be repeated for credit once).

> ** One Category 3 course is required for all English majors;; students who wish to concentrate in Writing and Rhetoric must take three additional elective courses from Category 3.

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Concentration in American Literature
Four AML courses.
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## Concentration in British Literature

Four ENL courses.

## Concentration in Multicultural and Gender Studies <br> Four courses from Category 1 above.

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Concentration in Writing and Rhetoric
Four courses from Category 3 above (fiction and poetry workshops may be repeated for credit once).
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Concentration in World Literature
Four courses from the following list.

| Backgrounds for British and American Literature | ENL 3125 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Literature in Transtation: The French Tradition | FRT 3140 | 3 |
| French Civilization and Literature: 19th and 20th Centuries | FRW 3122 | 3 |
| Literature in Translation: The Italian Tradition | ITT 3110 | 3 |
| Italian Cinema: From Text to Screen | ITT 3520 | 3 |
| Dante: The Commedia in Translation | HT 4140 | 3 |
| Italian Literature and Civilization | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \mid T W \\ & 3100 / 3101 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}\right.$ | 3 |
| Irish Literature | HIT 3184 | 3 |
| Comparative Literature | HIT 1061 | 3 |
| Comparative Realism and Naturalism | HIT 4065 | 3 |
| Caribbean Literatures in English | LIT 4192 | 3 |
| World Literature: Critical Approaches | LIT 4225 | 3 |
| Postcolonial Literature | LIT 4233 | 3 |
| Major Writers of World Literature in English | LIT 1244 | 3 |
| Black Literatures | LIT 1355 | 3 |
| Comparative European Romanticism | LIT 1604 | 3 |
| Introduction to Hispanic Literature | SPW 3030 | 3 |
| Special Topics in Spanish or Latin American Literature | SPW 4930 | 3 |
| Latin American Literature in Translation | SPT 4130 | 3 |
| Spanish Literature and Film | SPT 4720 | 3 |

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