

English

School of Language and Literature

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General Description

The English majors focus on the study of the language and literature of English. Majors explore the grammar and prose of the English language including expository, argumentative, and creative writing, critical and analytical reading, and literary genres (fiction, nonfiction, poetry, drama) and modes (comedy, tragedy, satire, and romance).

Career Options

Below is a sample of the career options available for the English major. A few of these require an associate in arts degree, most require a bachelor's degree, and some require a graduate-level degree: writer, poet, journalist, literary or film critic, high school or college instructor, film or television scriptwriter, lawyer, public relations person, technical writer, tutor, interpreter, writing consultant, methods analyst, program developer, grant writer, legislative assistant, civil servant, columnist, business administrator, and advertising agent.

Degree/Certificate Options

Associate in Arts Degree: Transfer Preparation

English	01405
Literature	A1400

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

Major Code

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

English

Transfer Preparation * (Major Code: 01405)

Designed to develop language skills for reading and writing. The study and analysis of literature provide contact with exemplary works of various cultures, genres, and historical periods. Composition courses develop the skills for effective communication, mental discipline, organization, coherence, and proper form. The student who is not prepared to enter courses numbered 115 and above should consult a counselor to plan a program designed to improve his/her English skills.

These courses parallel the CSU lower-division requirements for the bachelor's degree in English. It is strongly recommended that students who are planning to transfer into the CSU system as English majors follow this plan.

ENGL 115	Reading and Composition: Exposition and Argumentation	4
ENGL 116	Critical Thinking and Composition	4
ENGL 240	English Literature	3
ENGL 241	English Literature II	3
Complete 6 units from electives		6
Total units		20

Electives: Complete 3 units from each group.

Group 1:

ENGL 220, 230, 231, 270.

Group 2:

ENGL 117A, 170A, 172A, 250, 251.

Note: Additional electives are required if any of the program courses are used to complete general education requirements.

SDSU also requires three consecutive courses in a single foreign language as part of the requirement for the bachelor's degree. Foreign language competency may also be demonstrated by successfully completing four years of one foreign language in high school or by successfully completing a challenge examination. See a counselor for additional information.

To earn an associate degree, additional general education and graduation requirements must be completed. See page 51.

- * Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete courses specific to the transfer institution of choice. University requirements vary from institution to institution and are subject to change. Therefore, it is important to verify transfer major preparation and general education requirements through consultation with a counselor in either the Counseling Center or Transfer Center. **See catalog TRANSFER COURSES INFORMATION section on page 33 for further information.**

Literature

Transfer Preparation * (Major Code: A1400)

Designed to develop reading and writing skills. The required composition courses focus on techniques for effective communication and creative expression. The literature offerings include the traditional survey courses as well as specialized courses focusing on various topics, styles, and genres.

ENGL 115	Reading and Composition: Exposition and Argumentation	4
ENGL 116	Critical Thinking and Composition	4
ENGL 220	Introduction to Literature	3
Complete 9 units from electives		9
Total units		20

Electives: Complete 3–6 units from each group.

Group 1:

ENGL 230, 231, 240, 241, 250, 251.

Group 2:

ENGL 117A, 170A, 172A, 175A, 225, 255, 260, 265, 270, 271, 272, 280.

Note: Additional electives required if ENGL 115 and/or ENGL 116 are needed to complete general education requirements and if any of the program courses are used to complete general education requirements.

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English as a Second Language

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General Description

Learning English for academic purposes is designed to get students ready for transfer into academic programs. The classes focus on academic vocabulary and concepts. Language is taught using a content-based approach. Each level is taught using a theme that draws content from other disciplines on campus. English skills are integrated with an emphasis on reading and writing.

El programa Inglés con Propósitos Académicos ha sido diseñado para preparar a los estudiantes que desean ingresar en programas académicos. Las clases hacen énfasis en el vocabulario y en los conceptos académicos. La enseñanza del idioma está enfocada hacia el contenido. La enseñanza de cada nivel se basa en un tema de alguna de las otras disciplinas que se estudian en el campus. Se prepara en el idioma inglés de forma integral haciendo énfasis en la lectoescritura.

Career Options

Many career choices are suitable for people who can communicate effectively in more than one language. Today the world is a global community where employment opportunities for educated individuals can span more than one continent, several countries, and many different cultures. Career options are available at entry-level through more advanced positions in business, industry, education, religion, and government.

Existen muchas opciones profesionales disponibles para aquellos que se puedan comunicar de forma efectiva en más de un idioma. El mundo de hoy es una comunidad global donde las oportunidades de empleo para los individuos que hayan tenido una educación formal se extienden a través de más de un continente, varios países y muchas culturas diferentes. Existen opciones profesionales que van desde el nivel principiante hasta las posiciones más altas dentro de los campos empresariales, industriales, educativos, religiosos y gubernamentales.

Consult with a counselor to develop a Student Education Plan (SEP), which lists the courses necessary to achieve your academic goal.

Consulte con un asesor para desarrollar un Plan Educativo Estudiantil (SEP, por sus siglas en inglés) que incluya las materias necesarias para alcanzar sus metas académicas.

