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HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone's Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps for the latest version of this major map.

Berkeley

English
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CONNECT WITH US

Cal Day

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

Events

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit english.berkeley.edu for news and updates.

ADVISING

Advisor office hours change on a semesterly basis. Visit english.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/advicing for the latest updates or to schedule an appointment with an Undergraduate Advisor, or to learn more about faculty major advising.

ENGLISH

Bachelor of Arts

Berkeley
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Repeatedly ranked the #1 English department in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report*, we introduce students to literature in all its variety through time and across cultures. An English degree trains you in methods and theories of literary and cultural analysis, shows you how to conduct research and build complex arguments, and continually improves your writing. Majors and Minors gain crucial skills for any future profession: to communicate with clarity and confidence, to understand how words and stories work not just in books but in professional lives and society, and to reflect deeply on their reading. In addition to our national fame, we are known for stellar teaching, with more winners of the Distinguished Teaching Award than other Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences departments.



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“ The kinds of intimate attention to form and relation that we practice in reading literature is the prerequisite for an attentive, which is to say an ethical, presence in the world. ”

– Billy Kieschnick-Mulligan, English major

THE ENGLISH CURRICULUM

A core of lower division classes helps students shape their literary interests. Three (ENGLISH 45A-B-C) offer wide-ranging knowledge of the history of British, American, and global writing. Together with a course on Shakespeare and an introductory seminar (ENGLISH 90), the sequence gives students tools of literary analysis for advanced study. Upper-level electives, including a seminar on method (ENGLISH 100), refine skills of writing and interpretation. In a capstone research seminar (ENGLISH 190 or H195A/B), majors design their own program of guided research and carry it out in an extended writing project. Even in required classes, there is flexibility in the choice of topics.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Enroll in **Berkeley Connect**, a one-unit mentorship and discussion course.
- Apply to the **honors** seminar course (ENGLISH H195A/B) and conduct long-term literary research to develop your own honors thesis while working closely with faculty.
- Join an English department-sponsored **student group**.
- Consider adding a **Creative Writing Minor** to your education.

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DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY



All opportunities listed above are available to two-year students and four-year students

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