

ENGLISH (BA)

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English studies help students to sharpen their understanding, enhance their enjoyment, and heighten their awareness of not only literature, but also of themselves and their changing multicultural world. The process involves a careful study of the English language and the distinctive imaginative and aesthetic qualities of literary texts. Students gain knowledge and examine human values in literature. They also gain practical, transferrable skills.

Upon completion of the English major, students are able to read closely, think critically and write effectively; demonstrate knowledge of the historical breadth and depth of British and American literature; analyze literary genres (including poetry, drama, and the novel), and apply intercultural knowledge to their study of literature and life. They have opportunities to study abroad and complete internships. They are well prepared for graduate school and professional employment.

English majors go on to careers in teaching and educational administration, professional writing and editing, librarianship, information technology and business communications, management, law and social work, and art and entertainment as well as other fields.

Degree Requirements

Total program: 60 semester hours

Core Requirements

40 semester hours

Code	Title	Semester Hours
ENG 270	The Foundations of Linguistics	4
ENG 275	Introduction to Literary Criticism	4
ENG 351	British Literature I	4
ENG 352	British Literature II	4
ENG 353	American Literature I	4
ENG 354	American Literature II	4
ENG 421	Modern Poetry in English	4
ENG 431	Studies in British Fiction	4
or ENG 434	Studies in the American Novel	
ENG 460	Shakespeare	4
ENG 499	Senior Capstone	4

Total Semester Hours 40

Electives

A minimum of 20 semester hours of upper division ENG courses. One of these courses must be a diversity elective taken from an approved list, such as the courses below. Courses from other departments may serve as electives upon approval of the English Department Chairperson.

Code	Title	Semester Hours
ENG 280	Science Fiction	4
ENG 335	Los Angeles Fiction	4
ENG 359	Superhero Comics & Film	4

ENG 381	Horror Fiction	4
ENG 383	Myth in Literature	4
ENG 385	Studies in Ethnic American Literature	4
ENG 415	Women Writers	4
ENG 416	Short Story & Film	4

Concentration in Teaching, Single Subject

A Master of Arts in Teaching Pathway

The University of La Verne offers an undergraduate-to-master's in teaching pathways, which includes single subject credentialing. These pathways are restricted to Majors that have this listed concentration. Students with this concentration complete their subject matter competency requirement by degree and 16 upper division semester hours of Teacher Credential course work, that apply to both undergraduate and graduate degrees.

This is a direct education pathway to completing a specialized Master of Arts in Teaching, MAT, at the University of La Verne which includes a Single Subject Teaching Credential. The 4+1 programs have been designed for completion in 5 years. Any deviation from the outlined education plan, including extensions, may have financial aid implications and should be considered with the support of an advisor. An application for consideration of this education pathway is mandatory.

Upper division coursework is not modified for these integrated programs, students will be following the MAT course sequence created for all credential candidates in the LaFetra College of Education teaching programs. This includes prerequisites for course enrollment and completion of state mandated assessments in the required time sequence.

Program Requirements for Concentration

- Minimum 2.75 GPA to begin
- Must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA in the program in accordance with the University's Graduate GPA requirements
- Face-to-face interview with the MAT program chair or designee
- Meet with Education Advisor at least one time per semester to monitor progress according to requirements
- Must meet credential prerequisites prior to registering for the first credential class
 - Prerequisites
 - TB Clearance *California Education Code Section 49406*
 - Live Scan/Fingerprint Clearance *California Education Code Section 44320(b)*
 - Certificate of Clearance (CoC) *California Education Code Section 44320(b)*

Concentration in Teaching, Single Subject Requirements

16 semester hours

Code	Title	Semester Hours
EDUC 427	Language and Literacy, Single Subject	4
EDUC 428	Introductory Teaching Practices, Single Subject	4
EDUC 442	Intermediate Teaching Practices, Single Subject	4
EDUC 443	Advanced Teaching Practices, Single Subject	4

Total Semester Hours 16