The City College of New York
Department of English
Major Requirements for Students beginning in Fall 2014

Please note: effective Fall 2013, the minimum major GPA requirement for new majors is 2.5.

MAJORS
39 credits total are required of the English Major. Majors must complete the introductory Gateway classes (6 credits), 12 credits of required Literature classes, and an additional 21 credits in one of three areas of concentration. No more than 12 transfer credits may be used to fulfill major requirements. Publishing courses do not meet the requirements for either the English major or minor.

MANDATORY FOR ALL ENGLISH MAJORS: GATEWAY (6 CREDITS) AND REQUIRED LITERATURE CLASSES (12 CREDITS):

(1) All majors must take two Gateway classes: Introduction to Literary Study (ENGL 25000) and one additional 200-level Literature course (a Genre Survey, a Historical Survey, or a Literatures of Diversity course). These Gateway classes are prerequisites to taking 300- and 400-level Literature classes and must be taken at the beginning of your work for the major.

(2) All majors must take two 300-level Literature courses. One 300-level Literature class may be taken concurrently with a Gateway class, but completing the two Gateway classes is a prerequisite for further enrollment in 300- and 400-level Literature classes.

(3) All majors must take two 400-level Literature courses. Completing two 300-level Literature classes is a prerequisite for enrollment in 400-level Literature classes.

FURTHER REQUIREMENTS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONCENTRATIONS WITHIN THE MAJOR:

Literature Concentration:
21 credits (seven classes) of Literature courses at any level; but please note that no more than four 200-level Literature classes may be counted towards the English major. It is recommended that students study a variety of literary genres and periods. A single elective creative writing course may be taken in place of a literature course.

Creative Writing Concentration:
18 credits of Creative Writing courses (22000 and above) and 3 credits of Literature courses at any level. Completion of ENGL 22000 and ENGL 22100 are prerequisites for Advanced Creative Writing workshops. Certain creative writing workshops may be taken repeatedly for credit.

Secondary English Education Concentration:
21 credits (seven classes) of Literature courses at any level; but please note that no more than four 200-level Literature classes may be counted towards the English major. Students in this concentration must fulfill specific course areas required by the state; please refer to the checklist on the reverse side. This concentration is for students planning to teach at the junior-high or high-school levels, and is usually taken in conjunction with English Education courses toward a teaching certificate. See Prof. Andrew Ratner in NAC 5/208 for English Education advising (X5995).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON COURSES
Each semester the English Department prepares an undergraduate course description booklet providing detailed information on all 22000-and-higher-level courses to be offered in the following semester. Booklets are available in the main office, NAC 6/219. For more information, advising, registration, or to sign up as a major or minor, please meet with an undergraduate English advisor in NAC 6/219 or call (212) 650-5407.
ENGLISH MAJOR CHECKLIST
In addition to satisfying CCNY’s core requirements (checked by the Dean's Office, NAC 5/225), English majors must complete 6 credits of Gateway and 33 additional credits in one of the concentrations outlined below. Please see the reverse side for details on requirements for the major and for each specific concentration.

MANDATORY GATEWAY COURSES FOR ALL ENGLISH MAJORS:
ENGL 25000 __________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level) ________/_______ (term taken)

(1) LITERATURE CONCENTRATION
Elective Literature (300-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (300-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (400-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (400-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (300-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
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Elective Literature (300-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Creative Writing or Elective Literature __________/__________ (term taken)

(2) CREATIVE WRITING CONCENTRATION
(Please note: ENGL 32100 and ENGL 32200 may be taken twice for credit, and ENGL 32000 may be taken three times for credit)
Introduction to Creative Writing (22000) ________/_______ (term taken)
Intermediate Creative Writing (22100) ________/_______ (term taken)
Creative Writing (22000 or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Creative Writing (23000 or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Creative Writing (32000 or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Creative Writing (32000 or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (300-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (300-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (400-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (400-level) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)

(3) SECONDARY ENGLISH EDUCATION CONCENTRATION
(Consult the English Education Program Undergraduate Advisor, Prof. Andrew Ratner (NAC 5/208, X5995)
American Literature __________/__________ (term taken)
Shakespeare __________/__________ (term taken)
Ethnic/Minority/Women's Literature __________/__________ (term taken)
Ethnic/Minority Literature __________/__________ (term taken)
Survey Course (e.g., "Representative Writers of...") __________/__________ (term taken)
Pre-modern/pre-20th-century Literature (not Shakespeare) __________/__________ (term taken)
Advanced Grammar (34200) or Language/Linguistics __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Creative Writing / Literature __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (200-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)
Elective Literature (300-level or above) __________/__________ (term taken)