

2024 - 2025 Bachelor of Arts in English

Option in Rhetoric and Composition

45 Units



Use this checklist in combination with your official Academic Requirements Report (ARR). This checklist is not intended to replace advising. Consult the advisor for appropriate course sequencing. *Curriculum changes in progress. Requirements subject to change.*

To be considered for admission to the major, complete the following Major Specific Requirements (MSR) by 60 units:

- Minimum 2.0 overall GPA
- Grades of "C" or better in GE Foundations, Arts and Humanities (Category C), and Social Science and Citizenship (Category D)
- First-Time, First-Years (Freshmen) who began in Fall 2021 or later: Grade of "C" or better in Ethnic Studies (Category F-ES)

Courses

Prerequisites

Complete the following course with a grade of "C" or better (3 units total):

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| ENGL 180: Appreciation of Literature (3) | |
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Complete **TWO** of the following courses with grades of "C" or better (8 units total):

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| ENGL 250A: Survey of English Literature (4) | GE Composition |
| ENGL 250B: Survey of English Literature (4) | GE Composition |
| ENGL 270A: Survey of American Literature (4) | GE Composition |
| ENGL 270B: Survey of American Literature (4) | GE Composition |

Complete a total of **34 UNITS** of upper division from the following requirements (34 units total):

Complete the following course with a grade of "C" or better (4 units total):

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| ENGL 380: Approaches to English Studies (4) | ENGL 180 or Equivalent |
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Group I Courses - Complete **TWO** of the following courses (6 units total):

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| ENGL 300: Advanced Composition (3) | GE Foundations; Upper Division Standing; Passing Score on GPE (or Necessary Portfolio) |
| ENGL 317: Professional and Technical Writing (3) | GE Composition; Upper Division Standing; Passing Score on GPE (or Necessary Portfolio) |
| ENGL 410: Theories of Writing and Literacy (3) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 435: Teaching Composition (3) | |

Group II Courses - Complete at least **21 UNITS** from the following (21+ units total):

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| ENGL 310: Applied Composition (4) | GE Composition |
| ENGL 320: English Grammar (4) | |
| ENGL 337: Technology in the English Classroom (3) | |
| ENGL 363: Shakespeare I (4) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 404: Creative Writing: Creative Nonfiction (3) | One Lower Division Creative Writing Class with a Grade of "C" or Better |
| ENGL 411: Research Methods in Rhetoric and Composition (4) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 416: Technical Editing (4) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 417: Proposal Writing (3) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 418: Manual Writing (3) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL 419: Writing in Science, Social Science, and Technology (3) | GE Foundations |
| ENGL/LING 423: Semantics (3) | LING 325 or ENGL 320 or Consent of Instructor |
| ENGL/LING 426: History of the English Language (3) | ANTH/LING 170 or Consent of Instructor |
| ENGL 436: Theories and Practices of Reading (3) | |
| ENGL 488: Selected Topics in Rhetoric and Writing Studies (3) | GE Composition |
| ENGL 497: Theories and Practices of Individualized Writing Instruction (3) | Consent of Instructor |

Rhetoric & Composition Elective - Complete an upper division English elective to fulfill the major's requirement of a total of **45 UNITS** (3 units total):

Elective 1:

In order to graduate from CSULB, students must complete General Education/GWAR/Major requirements and have a minimum of 120 units (40 must be upper division) with at least a 2.0 in all GPAs (Overall, CSULB, Major).

Additional Information

- See online Catalog for additional course information, limitations, and requirements.
- Some courses may also fulfill GE requirements. Visit the GE website for course selection: csulb.edu/general-education.
- A course can only be used to satisfy one major requirement. Double counting is not allowed within the major.
- The GE Composition requirement is a prerequisite for all upper division courses.
- Students are strongly encouraged to take ENGL 102 or an English-department equivalent.

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