ENGLISH MAJOR: LITERATURE TRACK REQUIREMENTS

A student majoring in English on the literature track must satisfactorily complete at least 11 units. Students may use single courses to fulfill two requirements in the major in categories 2 and 3. Courses taken outside the English Department may count as electives towards the major with the consent of the English Department Curriculum Committee.

1) Gateway courses (2 units, both required):

a) EN221 Introduction to Poetry

b) EN250 Introduction to Literary Theory

2) Foundations and Transformations courses (3 units, 1 unit of each required; 1 out of 3 must be taken at the 300 or 400 level; may be taken outside the English Department; may double-count with Historical Period requirements):

a) Western Tradition: Bible as Literature, Dante's "Divine Comedy," Greek Drama, History of the English Language, Homer, Shakespeare (list is not comprehensive)

b) American Ethnic Minority Literature: a course in literature by African-American, Asian-American, Latinx, and/or Native American writers

c) Anglophone and Other National Literatures: Caribbean Literature, Postcolonial Literature, African Literature, literature courses in Classics, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian, Spanish (in translation or in the original language—list is not comprehensive).

3) Historical Period courses (4 units, 4 out of 5 required; 3 out of 4 must be taken at the 300 or 400 level; may double-count with Foundations and Transformations requirements):

a) Medieval/Renaissance (excluding Shakespeare)

b) Shakespeare
c) 18th Century
d) 19th Century
e) 20th and 21st Centuries

4) Electives (3 units, required, at any level): courses in literature/creative writing, any topic/genre at any level. Up to two units may be in creative writing. One unit may be fulfilled outside the English Department with the consent of the English Department Curriculum Committee.

5) Junior/Senior Sequence (2 or 3 units, required):

a) EN399 Junior Seminar (1 unit; this requirement may be fulfilled simultaneously with ONE requirement in category 2 or 3).

b) Senior Sequence (2 units: EN 480 Senior Seminar followed by EN499 Independent Thesis).

Students may use no more than two units of summer independent reading their major requirements.