# DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURES

### **English**

The term "English" encompasses several related areas including the study of the English language, the practical skills of using it, and the literature created from it. The department offers courses in basic and advanced language skills, including technical and creative writing; for students with special needs, reading and writing laboratories and developmental courses are available. Literature courses offer instruction in the understanding and analysis of "classic", popular, and contemporary works, including Continental and Asian, and their historical and cultural contexts. A student majoring or minoring in English may opt for the traditional liberal arts program, an education program, a creative writing emphasis or a professional writing and publishing emphasis. By developing the practical ability to think clearly, to read intelligently, and to write effectively, a major in English provides excellent preparation for business, teaching, government and professions such as law and medicine. In addition, we offer minors in English as a Second Language for those who plan to work with non-native speakers.

In preparation for graduate study in English, students should consult the requirements of the graduate school they plan to attend. Those anticipating graduate study should plan to study a foreign language at the undergraduate level since that is often a graduate requirement.

For information on English placement testing, see http://www.uww.edu/testing/.

#### **Majors/Emphases**

ENGLISH 101, ENGLISH 102, and ENGLISH 105 and do not count toward an English major or minor; however, ENGLISH 102 or ENGLISH 105 is a prerequisite for all upper division English courses.

A student majoring in English may select from these areas: Literature, Creative Writing, Professional Writing and Publishing, or Education.

Liberal arts students majoring in English are urged to fulfill the upper class writing requirements as early as possible and to complete at least one year's work in a modern foreign language. Valuable adjuncts to the English major are courses in library science, journalism, speech, theatre, public relations, or business.

### **Majors in Languages and Literatures**

- English Creative Writing Emphasis (BA/BS) (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/english-creative-writing-emphasis-ba-bs/)
- English Literature Emphasis (BA/BS) (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/english-ba-bs/)
- English Literature & Language Arts Education (BSE) (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/english-bse/)
- Film Studies (BA/BS) (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/ undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/film-studiesba-bs/)

 Japanese Studies (BA) (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/ undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/japanesestudies-ba/)

#### **Minors in Languages and Literatures**

- Creative Writing (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/ letters-sciences/languages-literatures/creative-writing-minor/)
- English (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letterssciences/languages-literatures/english-minor/)
- English Education (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/english-education-minor/)
- Film Studies (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/ letters-sciences/languages-literatures/film-studies-minor/)
- Japanese Studies (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/ letters-sciences/languages-literatures/japanese-studies-minor/)
- Professional Writing and Publishing (http://uwwpublic.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languagesliteratures/professional-writing-and-publishing-minor/)

## **Certificates in Languages and Literatures**

- Film Studies (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/film-studies-certificate/)
- Professional Writing and Editing (http://uww-public.courseleaf.com/ undergraduate/letters-sciences/languages-literatures/professionalwriting-and-editing-certificate/)