

English

The English discipline includes courses in composition, reading, creative writing, and critical thinking. Students take these courses to prepare for a major in English and/or to fulfill general education requirements. A bachelor's degree in English can lead to a career in law, education, journalism, mass media, marketing, public relations, communications, business, or the humanities.

Academic and Career Pathway

Languages, Communication, and Humanities (<https://www.miracosta.edu/academics/degree-and-certificate-programs/languages-communication-and-humanities/>)

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Associate Degrees

Associate in Arts Degree

English for Transfer

Students completing this associate degree will have completed lower-division major preparation requirements for an English degree, an emphasis or option within an English degree, or a degree considered similar to English at a participating California State University (CSU) campus.

Following transfer to a participating CSU campus, students will be required to complete no more than 60 units to obtain a bachelor's degree; however, some CSU campuses may require additional lower-division major preparation.

This degree may not be appropriate preparation for students transferring to a CSU campus not accepting this degree or to a university or college that is not part of the CSU system.

Students should consult with a MiraCosta counselor for further information regarding the most efficient pathway to transfer as an English major and to determine which CSU campuses are participating in this program.

Graduation Requirements

- ▶ Complete a minimum of 60 semester (90 quarter) CSU-transferable semester units.
- ▶ Complete all courses required in the major with a "C" or better.
- ▶ Complete the Cal-GETC general education pattern.
- ▶ Achieve a minimum CSU transferable GPA of 2.0.
- ▶ Complete a minimum of 12 units in residence at MiraCosta College.

Program Student Learning Outcome

At the conclusion of this program, the student will be able to discern and assess the interconnectedness of literature and human experience, including the ways in which literature defines, shapes, and reflects a culture's values and mores; and write clearly, precisely, and appropriately for a wide range of purposes and audiences.

Course Requirements

Required Core: *

ENGL 201	Critical Thinking, Composition, and Literature	4
or ENGL 201H	Critical Thinking, Composition, and Literature (Honors)	
List A: Select two courses (6 units). *		6
LIT 250	American Literature: First Contact Through the Civil War	
LIT 251	American Literature: Mid-1800s to the Present	
LIT 260	English Literature Through the 18th Century	
LIT 261	English Literature: Romantic to Contemporary	
LIT 270	World Literature to 1600	
LIT 271	World Literature Since 1600	
List B: Select two courses (6 units). *		6
Any List A course not already used.		
ENGL 280	Creative Writing	
LIT 265	Shakespeare Studies	
List C: Select one course (3-4 units). *		3-4
Any List A or B course not already used.		
ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing	
or ENGL C1001	Critical Thinking and Writing (Honors)	
LIT 120	Introduction to Literature	
Total Units		19-20

* All courses listed, with the exception of ENGL 280, satisfy a general education requirement on the Cal-GETC general education (GE) pattern. To ensure this degree is completed with no more than 60 units, students should select courses that will also satisfy a GE requirement.

NOTE: Students are strongly advised to select courses that meet lower-division major preparation requirements at their

transfer university and to complete the History, Constitution, and American Ideals requirement prior to transfer.

Courses

ENGL C1000: Academic Reading and Writing

Units: 4

Prerequisites: Eligibility determined by the English placement process.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ENGL 100 or ENGL 100H.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 4 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

In this course, students receive instruction in academic reading and writing, including writing processes, effective use of language, analytical thinking, and the foundations of academic research. By building upon student experiences and validating them as creators of knowledge, this course helps students develop critical reading, thinking, and writing strategies for a variety of situations. Students will engage with course content that is reflective of an inclusive and equitable curriculum and that supports the principles of a Hispanic Serving Institution designation. (Formerly ENGL 100). C-ID ENGL-100.

ENGL C1001: Critical Thinking and Writing

Units: 4

Prerequisites: ENGL C1000.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ENGL C1001H, ENGL 202, or ENGL 202H.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 4 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

In this course, students receive instruction in critical thinking for purposes of constructing, evaluating, and composing arguments in a variety of rhetorical forms, using primarily non-fiction texts, refining writing skills and research strategies developed in ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing (C-ID ENGL 100) or similar first-year college writing course. Content includes methods of analysis; principles of logic, including the relationship between language and logic; techniques of reasoning, including the use of evidence; techniques of style; and research skills. UC CREDIT LIMITATION: Credit for ENGL C1001, ENGL C1001H, ENGL C1001, or ENGL C1001H. (Formerly ENGL 202). C-ID ENGL-105.

ENGL C1001H: Critical Thinking and Writing (Honors)

Units: 4

Prerequisites: ENGL C1000.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ENGL C1001, ENGL 202, or ENGL 202H.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 4 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall

In this course, students receive instruction in critical thinking for purposes of constructing, evaluating, and composing arguments in a variety of rhetorical forms, using primarily non-fiction texts, refining writing skills and research strategies developed in ENGL C1000 Academic Reading and Writing (C-ID ENGL 100) or similar first-year college writing course. This is an honors course. Content includes methods of analysis; principles of logic, including the relationship between language and logic; techniques of reasoning, including the use of evidence; techniques of style; and research skills. UC CREDIT LIMITATION: Credit for ENGL C1001, ENGL C1001H, ENGL C1001, or ENGL C1001H. (Formerly ENGL 202H). C-ID ENGL-105.

ENGL 52: College Composition Skills and Support

Units: 2

Prerequisites: None

Corequisite: ENGL C1000.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ACE 150, ENGL 50, or ESL 150.

Lecture 2 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course offers intensive practice in the skills needed to read college-level texts and compose college-level essays. It provides support in developing skills and strategies for success in transfer-level writing classes. Students enrolling in this course must also enroll in ENGL C1000.

ENGL 201: Critical Thinking, Composition, and Literature

Units: 4

Prerequisites: ENGL C1000.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ENGL 201H.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 4 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring, and Summer

Designed to continue the critical thinking, reading, and writing practice begun in ENGL C1000, this course teaches critical thinking, reading, composition, research, and argument using literature as the basis for analysis. This course is designed for students who seek to satisfy both the full-year composition and the critical-thinking transfer requirements. UC CREDIT LIMITATION: Credit for ENGL C1001 or ENGL C1001H. C-ID ENGL-110.

ENGL 201H: Critical Thinking, Composition, and Literature (Honors)

Units: 4

Prerequisites: ENGL C1000.

Enrollment Limitation: Not open to students with prior credit in ENGL 201.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 4 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Spring

This course offers enhanced instruction in critical thinking, critical writing, and research using the genres of literature (poetry, drama, short story, and novel). It is intended for students who seek to satisfy the full-year composition and critical-thinking transfer requirements. UC CREDIT LIMITATION: Credit for ENGL C1001 or ENGL C1001H. C-ID ENGL-110.

ENGL 280: Creative Writing

Units: 3

Prerequisites: None

Acceptable for Credit: CSU, UC

Lecture 3 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Fall, Spring

This course focuses on the elements of creative writing, particularly through the study and creation of prose fiction and poetry. It offers practice in various genres and forms, based on instructor approach, and it promotes the writing process through a combination of drafting exercises and revision strategies. Utilizing workshops as the primary mode of instruction, this course offers the opportunity to produce creative works for publication, performance, and/or personal enrichment. C-ID ENGL-200.

ENGL 292: Internship Studies

Units: 0.5-14

Prerequisites: None

Corequisite: Complete 54 hours of work per unit, paid or unpaid.

Enrollment Limitation: Instructor, dept chair, and Career Center approval. Fourteen unit maximum in any combination of work experience education and/or internship studies per semester.

Acceptable for Credit: CSU

Course Typically Offered: To be arranged

This course provides students the opportunity to apply the theories and techniques of their discipline in an internship position in a professional setting under the instruction of a faculty-mentor and site supervisor. It introduces students to aspects of the roles and responsibilities of professionals employed in the field of study. Topics include goal-setting, employability skills development, and examination of the world of work as it relates to the student's career plans. Students must develop new learning objectives and/or work/intern at a new site upon each enrollment.

ENGL 295: Publishing Practicum

Units: 3

Prerequisites: None

Acceptable for Credit: CSU

Lecture 3 hours.

Course Typically Offered: Spring

This work-based learning course gives students experience researching and applying best publishing practices to the annual edition of Tidepools, MiraCosta's journal of creative writing and visual art. In collaboration with the Media Arts & Technologies Department responsible for the journal's design and layout, students read, evaluate, and make informed editorial decisions about content submissions. The course also provides students the opportunity to promote the journal through social media and other marketing materials as well as at campus and community events.

ENGL 296: Topics in English

Units: 1-3

Prerequisites: None

Acceptable for Credit: CSU

Lecture 1 hour.

Lecture 2 hours.

Lecture 3 hours.

Course Typically Offered: To be arranged

This course gives students an opportunity to study topics in English that are not included in regular course offerings. Each Topics course is announced, described, and given its own title and 296 number designation in the class schedule.