

Approx. program length:

4 years

Credits:

120

Cost per credit:

\$398

[Tuition Guarantee](#)

Format:

Online

Be the creative difference

Immerse yourself in a world of literature, composition and rhetoric with a Bachelor of Arts in English degree. Your mastery of the curriculum will help prepare you for creative opportunities in professional settings, such as public relations or technical or freelance writing.

In this BA in English program, you'll study:

- Literature and composition
- Expository, persuasive, narrative and descriptive writing
- Major literary genres, authors and forms
- Critical thinking, analysis, collaboration and communication

Explore an educational path that sparks imagination — earn your BA in English. You can complete your degree in four years, and you'll take one 5-week course at a time, so you can balance work and life on the path to your degree.

What sets us apart?

When you choose our Bachelor of Arts in English program, you can:

Get the best of both worlds

With curriculum that includes courses in literature and creative writing, you don't have to choose between them. You can study both.

Give yourself professional options

This versatile degree prepares you to be a writer, creative thinker and communicator in many different types of work environments.

Balance work, school, and life

Built to fit into the lives of busy working adults, our BA in English can be completed in four years by taking one 5-week course at a time.

Job opportunities

The BA in English is a versatile degree that prepares graduates to contribute to a wide range of industries and employers. Graduates with a BA in English can pursue opportunities that involve creative and technical writing, as well as other careers that require critical thinking, analysis and clear communication.

This program is eligible for Title IV funds but is not subject to gainful employment regulations because it is a liberal arts program offered continuously since 2009.

Networking opportunities

Access powerful networking tools through our PhoenixLink™ career services platform. Take advantage of personal career coaching. Search and apply for jobs, or make your resumé visible to employers. And connect with employers and alumni through career fairs and mixers. It's all about connections. And we help you make them.

Learning outcomes

Along with the knowledge and skills related to the University Learning Goals, graduates should gain program-specific knowledge, skills and abilities. Each college or school creates a set of Program Student Learning Outcomes (PSLOs) to describe the knowledge, skills or attitudes students will possess upon completion of the program of study. By the time you complete your Bachelor of Arts in English degree, you should be able to perform these [learning outcomes](#).

The goal of accreditation is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meets acceptable levels of quality. Accreditation is your assurance the University meets quality standards.

Institutional accreditation

Regional accreditation is an institution-level accreditation status granted by one of six U.S. regional accrediting bodies. Accreditation by more than one regional accrediting body is not permitted by the U.S. Department of Education.

University of Phoenix is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC), hlcommission.org. Since 1978, University of Phoenix has been continually accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and its predecessor.

Course length:

5 weeks

Total credits required:

120

Max. number of transfer credits:

90

Requirements and prerequisites

You'll need 120 credits — which include 15 credits in a focus study — to complete this program. These may be earned through a combination of required and elective courses taken at University of Phoenix or eligible transfer credits. [View general requirements >](#)

Your focus study includes classes in an area of your choosing outside of your required course of study. This focus study adds to the interdisciplinary nature of your degree by supplementing your core discipline in English.

Transfer credits

Earn your degree faster. [Transfer eligible college credits](#) or apply to [have relevant experience evaluated](#) for potential college credit. Contact an enrollment representative at 844.YES.UOPX for more information.

Core courses

- WRIT320: Advanced Composition For The English Major
- LIT265: Survey Of American Literature Since 1860
- ENG295: Children's Literature
- LIT305: Major American Novel
- ENG265: The Short Story
- LIT304: Shakespeare
- LIT245: Survey Of English Literature Since 1798
- LIT255: Survey Of American Literature To 1860
- ENG250: History Of The English Language
- LIT235: Survey Of English Literature To 1798
- ENG240: Introduction To Creative Writing
- ENG235: Linguistics
- LIT375: Literary Theory And Criticism
- LIT315: American Autobiography
- ENG480: Applied Rhetoric
- ENG260: Folklore And Fairytales
- ENG230: Mechanics Of Writing
- ENG270: Literary Interpretation And Analysis
- ENG280: Rhetoric And Critical Thinking