



Bachelor of Arts, 3 Year Concentration in English

Program Planning Guide 2011/2012

Program Overview

The English program at St. Mary's University College offers students the opportunity to develop a rich and broad understanding of literary texts, contexts, and interpretations. The program stresses critical thinking, incisive consideration of texts (oral and written), and clear communication through a synthesis of creative, critical, and theoretical methods. At St. Mary's, the English degree programs allow students to approach texts within an interdisciplinary environment fostering a spirit of open inquiry. Courses in the English program offer all students the opportunity to experience literature and complement all courses of study. A degree program in English offers students a chance to immerse themselves in a rigorous study of literature and literary forms.

The **three-year Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in English** has been designed for individuals who seek a broad and extensive interdisciplinary education in the liberal arts tradition. The concentration in English grounds students in critical, analytic, and communicative methods. Through the study of literary texts, genres, and periods, students are introduced to methods of reading, interpreting, and synthesizing a broad and diverse range of ideas. This degree culminates in a full-year seminar that affords students the opportunity to consolidate their learning through an interdisciplinary project.

The program reflects the commitment of St. Mary's University College to a liberal education as valuable for its own sake since it provides individuals the opportunity to discover and eventually realize their human potential. In addition to providing personal fulfillment, the program prepares students to think critically and communicate clearly. Such skills are in keen demand for a variety of careers including the fields of journalism, research, politics, publishing, education, library and information science, social work, pastoral care, fundraising, government service, advertising, and public relations.

Admission

New students may apply directly to the program when they apply for admission. Current Liberal Arts and Sciences students, with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0, must complete a *Program Information Form* available through the Enrolment Services office.

Program Requirements

Once admitted to the degree program, students will be assigned a program advisor and provided with contact information. Students are strongly recommended to meet with their advisor on a regular basis throughout the program. It is the student's responsibility to ensure they have met the requirements for graduation.

This planning guide is designed to help students keep track of their progress in meeting degree requirements. Course descriptions may be found in either the St. Mary's University College online calendar or hard copy calendar.

A. Liberal Arts Core (18 credits)

- _____ ENGL 200: Literature in English from the Middle Ages to the Present (6 credits)
- _____ HIST 200: History of Ideas (6 credits)
- _____ PHIL 351: Ethics (3 credits)
- _____ THEO 201: Reading Biblical Texts: Meaning in the Judeo-Christian Tradition (3 credits)

B. Special Requirements (18 credits)

- _____ 6 credits in a language other than English (*may include LING 301*)
- _____ 6 credits in Natural & Mathematical Sciences (*ASTR, BCEM, BIOL, CHEM, CPSC 215, HMKN 205, MATH, PHYS, SCIE, STAT, PSYC 312*)
- _____ IDST 400: Interdisciplinary Seminar (6 credits) (*to be taken in the final year of the program*)

C. English Requirements (27 credits)

- _____ ENGL 467: Introduction to Literary Theory & Criticism (3 credits) (*to be taken in the third or final year of the program*)
- _____ ENGL 469: Modern & Contemporary Literary Theory & Criticism (3 credits) (*to be taken in the third or final year of the program*)
- _____ 3 credits in Prose Studies
- _____ 3 credits in Poetry Studies
- _____ 3 credits in Drama Studies
- _____ 6 credits in Literature Prior to 1900
- _____ 6 credits in Literature after 1900

D. Cultural Breadth Requirements (9 credits)

- _____ 3 credits in Canadian Studies
- _____ 3 credits in Cultural Diversity & Non-European Traditions
- _____ 3 credits in Western Culture & Social Traditions

E. Electives (18 credits)

- _____ elective: _____ (3 credit)
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90 Credit Degree

Junior/Senior Requirements

No more than 45 credits may be taken at the 200 level for credit towards the degree. A minimum of 24 English credits must be at the 300/400 level.

Program Standing

In order to remain in the program, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 and a cumulative GPA of 2.0 in senior English courses. Students who do not meet these requirements may not graduate.

Residence Requirement

All students must complete at least 45 credits at St. Mary's University College.

Graduation

In your final term of study, you must submit an *Application to Graduate*. Application forms are available at the Enrolment Services Office or on our website: www.stmu.ab.ca.

Deadline to submit applications for June 2012 convocation is April 1, 2012.

Notes

This guide is for your convenience only and should not replace the St. Mary's University College Calendar, which is the final authority regarding degree program requirements and academic regulations.

Courses That Fulfill English Requirements:***Prose Studies (select 1 course)***

ENGL 325	ENGL 355	ENGL 391	ENGL 397.2	ENGL 397.4
ENGL 343	ENGL 359	ENGL 397.1	ENGL 397.3	ENGL 397.6

Poetry Studies (select 1 course)

CLAS 321	ENGL 321	ENGL 323	ENGL 345 (323.11)	ENGL 381.1
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Drama Studies (select 1 course)

CLAS 323	ENGL 313	ENGL 315	ENGL 327	ENGL 371
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Literature Prior to 1900 (select 2 courses)

ENGL 303	ENGL 313	ENGL 331	ENGL 339	ENGL 381.1
ENGL 305	ENGL 315	ENGL 337	ENGL 341	ENGL 397.2
ENGL 309	ENGL 317	ENGL 381.5		

Literature After 1900 (select 2 courses)

ENGL 323	ENGL 327	ENGL 343	ENGL 363	ENGL 397.5
ENGL 325	ENGL 333	ENGL 381.6		

Courses That Fulfill Cultural Breadth Requirements:***Canadian Studies (select 1 course)***

BIOL 451	GEOG 381	HIST 343	HIST 353	POLI 321
ENGL 341	HIST 201	HIST 345	HIST 357	POLI 329
ENGL 343	HIST 203	HIST 347	IDST 333	POLI 357
ENGL 345 (323.11)	HIST 341	HIST 349	POLI 223	SOCI 371

Cultural Diversity & Non-European Traditions (select 1 course)

BIOL 307	HIST 205	HIST 377	POLI 359	RLGS 203
ENGL 353	HIST 301	POLI 213	POLI 391	RLGS 363
GEOG 203	HIST 307	POLI 283	PSYC 355	SOCI 375
GEOG 213	HIST 327	POLI 333	PSYC 357	SOCI 377

Western Cultural & Social Traditions (select 1 course)

ART 201	CLAS 315	HIST 323	HIST 365	PSYC 305
ART 203	CLAS 321	HIST 329	HIST 395	RLGS 201
ART 325	CLAS 323	HIST 331	PHIL 200*	RLGS 363
ART 355	DRAM 201	HIST 333	POLI 309	SOCI 327
ART 405	DRAM 203	HIST 351	POLI 311	SOCI 343
CLAS 209	HIST 321	HIST 363	*highly recommended	SOCI 393