HONOURS BA ENGLISH

Besides providing an excellent base for professional careers, a degree in English literature can offer you unmatched intellectual challenges and rewards. The Department provides courses in all major historical periods and national traditions of literature in English. It also offers courses in creative writing and literary theory, along with general interest courses in such topics as literature and film, children's literature, science fiction, graphic novels, and literature and the environment. The Undergraduate English degree lays a foundation for the pursuit of graduate studies, and is also an excellent preparation for professional degrees like Law, Business and Education.

This program is offered in English only.

Program Requirements

Co-operative education is available with this program.

Requirements for this program have been modified. Please consult the 2022-2023 calendars (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/archives/) for the previous requirements.

Basic Skills

3 course units from:

PHI 1101 Reasoning and Critical Thinking
PHI 1301 Philosophy: Ideas and Arguments

3 course units from:

AHL 1100 Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts
AHL 1900 Introduction to Interdisciplinary Study in the Arts

PHI 1102 Moral Reasoning
PHI 1103 Fundamental Philosophical Questions
PHI 1104 Great Philosophers
PHI 1302 Philosophy: Themes and Texts

Compulsory Courses

ENG 1124 Engaging with Literature
ENG 1140 Introduction to Indigenous Literatures
ENG 1141 Reading the Contemporary World
ENG 2105 Introduction to British Literature Before 1700
ENG 2124 Second-Year Seminar

Optional Courses

9 course units from:

ENG 2106 Introduction to British Literature After 1700
ENG 2107 Introduction to Canadian Literature
ENG 2108 Introduction to American Literature
ENG 2175 Introduction to the Literatures of Asia and the Asian Diaspora
ENG 2176 Introduction to the Literatures of Africa and the African Diaspora

6 course units from the following Critical Conversations courses:

ENG 2180 Critical Conversations: Sex and Gender Identities
ENG 2181 Critical Conversations: Race and Decolonization

3 course units from List A (Literature Before 1700):

3 course units from List B (Literature 1700-1900):

3 course units from List C (Literature 1900 to the Present):

3 course units from List D (Forms, Theories and Methods):

ENG 3105  Book History: Theories and Methods

ENG 3107  Literature and Visual Culture: Theories and Approaches

ENG 3111  Poetics

ENG 3112  Narrative Genres: Theories and Approaches

ENG 3195  Critical Race Theory

ENG 3375  Critical Theory

12 course units in English (ENG) at the 3000 level from the list of optional courses 12 Units

6 course units at the 4000 level, 3 of which can be fulfilled by a Special Topics course. 2 6 Units

Total: 66 Units

Elective courses

54 elective course units 54 Units

Total: 54 Units

The electives may be replaced by a combination of a Minor, Option(s) (http://catalogue.uottawa.ca/en/programs/#filter=filter_19&filter_170&filter_27), and/or elective units.

Note(s)

1 This course has variable topics. Students may take this course twice.

2 Honours Essays, Directed Readings, and Writing Workshops will not count towards 4000 level requirements.
   For example, this requirement could be fulfilled by 6 units of seminars OR 3 units of seminar and 3 units of special topics.