Description of the major and minor:

English majors and minors develop the ability to think analytically and creatively and to communicate clearly and persuasively – abilities that are highly desirable in most professional work and fields of graduate study.

In addition to the English minor, the department offers minors in creative writing, linguistics, new media and digital culture, and Southern studies.

The student experience:

- Students have the opportunity to earn course credit for internships at off-campus sites, including local newspapers and magazines, television stations, advertising agencies, law offices, museums and nonprofit organizations.
- A wide range of study abroad opportunities are available through exchange agreements and through summer travel courses.
- Undergraduate research opportunities are available with English faculty serving as mentors and advisers.

Beyond the classroom:

Career opportunities for English majors include: communications, education, technical writing and editing, marketing and public relations, law, information science, publishing, public service, media and creative writing.

Areas of study:

Students choose from a wide range of courses in British, American and world literatures; creative writing; linguistics; literary theory; professional and technical writing; and composition and rhetoric. Such courses may include: gothic horror; modern American writers; creative writing workshop; topics in Shakespeare; business and professional writing; the Victorian Age; studies in Southern literature; language, gender and power; world and anglophone literatures; fiction writing workshop; children’s literature; topics in film studies; and reading and writing poetry.

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