English Literature Major and Minor

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Your love of reading and the infinite worlds that books contain might be the door to a future full of possibilities. English Literature majors work closely with faculty to develop versatile skills in critical thought and problem solving by exploring the literary past and present—from Harry Potter to Hamlet and from Sherlock Holmes to Katniss Everdeen. Prepare yourself for an increasingly globalized world of professional employment and cultural interaction through an immense variety of course offerings, which can also be complemented by electives in English composition, creative writing, and film. Choose from among five subject areas, or "concentrations," and take charge of your preparation for post-graduate career paths while immersing yourself in and analyzing many of the greatest works ever written. The skills you master as an English Literature major will go with you to classrooms, boardrooms, or operating rooms.

Required courses for the English Literature major

The English literature major requires the completion of 36 credits distributed as follows. Students must choose one of the concentrations described as follows. Students who declare this

Concentrations

(For a full list of courses in each concentration, consult www.englishlit.pitt.edu/undergraduate/major-requirements. Note that some titles have changed, so students should check the course numbers to determine whether they have taken a course under a different title.)

- 1. **The Invention of Literature** (Concentration in Literary History and the English Language)
- 2. **Media and Technology** (Concentration in Media Literacy and Narrative)
- 3. **English for the World** (Concentration in Global Literatures, Politics, and Professions)
- Environment, Science, and Culture (Concentration in the Intersections of Humanities, Sciences, and the Natural World)
- 5. **Children and Culture** (Concentration in Children's Literature)
- 6. **Self-Designed Option** (Choose courses to build your own concentration in the major)

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Checklist for the English Literature major

Introductory courses
ENGLIT 0506
Two historical period courses
ENGLIT
ENGLIT
Seven elective courses, at the 0500-level or above; two courses
can be ENGCMP, ENGFLM, or ENGWRT.
ENGLIT/ENGCMP/ENGFLM/ENGWRT
ENGLIT/ENGCMP/ENGFLM/ENGWRT
ENGLIT/ENGCMP/ENGFLM/ENGWRT
ENGLIT
ENGLIT (1000-level or above)
ENGLIT (1000-level or above)
ENGLIT (1000-level or above)
Advanced courses
ENGLIT 1900
ENGLIT 1910

Checklist for the English Literature minor

Required courses ENGLIT 0506
Five elective courses
ENGLIT (0500 level and up)
ENGLIT (0500 level and up)
ENGLIT (0500 level and up)
ENGLIT (1000 level)
ENGLIT (1000 level)
ENGLIT 1900 Project Seminar is recommended but not required.

Note: Student must apply for any official minor they will complete or have completed at the time they apply for graduation.