



DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH



ABOUT US Pursue your passion for literature, creative writing, professional writing, rhetoric and composition, linguistics, English education, or film and media studies. MSU Denver English majors gain higher-level communication and digital technology skills while developing the deep cultural understanding and sensitivity that is necessary for socially responsible work.



STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES Each year, our program provides paid internships and undergraduate research assistantships. We host career-related events and activities, and our Faculty are always available to discuss your future career with you. Students can get involved in three student clubs while taking on leadership positions and our students have the chance to join the editorial team or have their work published in our student-run creative writing journal, the Roadrunner Review.



MAJOR/MINOR We offer a B.A. in English with concentrations in Literature, Film and Media Studies; Professional Writing and Rhetoric; Creative Writing; or English Education. We also offer a B.A. in Linguistics, one of only two programs offered in the State of Colorado. Our Minors, in all of these subdisciplines, can help broaden and diversify your skills, giving you a competitive edge in the job market.



SIGNATURE EVENTS We bring established authors and filmmakers to campus to speak about their craft as well as their career paths. Students are involved in organizing film screenings at the Sie FilmCenter, Denver's only year-round non-profit movie theater, presenting over 800 independent films each year. Students can also provide readings of their original work as part of our Center for Creative Writing events.

INDUSTRY CAREERS

- Publishing
- Editing
- Teaching
- Legal professions
- Marketing and Advertising
- Management & Leadership



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ENGLISH | Bachelor of Arts

Experiential Major Map



COLLEGE OF LETTERS,
ARTS AND SCIENCES

First Year

- Take ENG 2100 and LING 2010 where you will gain career-relevant knowledge and skills and learn how to apply those skills during your education and beyond

Middle Years

- Sophomore/Juniors should take ENG 3001, a 1-credit in-depth career prep course
- Apply for a Department scholarship

Last Year

- Take ENG 4500/4520 which provides in-depth knowledge on how to transform your skills into a career

Cultivate Learning & Academic Excellence

- Learn from the C2 Hub
- Learn more about student clubs
- Visit our student spaces
- Attend a career related event or activity

- Join and participate in student club activities
- Apply for a research assistantship

- Integrate electives that will strengthen preparation for your post-graduate career goals
- Participate in outreach events
- Take on a leadership role for a student club

Engage Globally and Locally

- Start exploring careers that align with the skills you've learned in the classroom

- Start exploring internships- where you could work at places like the University Press of Colorado

- Attend alumni and campus-wide networking events
- Build your resume, highlighting learned skills, techniques, and experiences

Prepare

for Postgraduation Success

Academic Success Checklist

- Discover library resources
- Book an appointment with your academic advisor
- Visit the writing and tutoring center
- Complete FASFA and academic scholarship applications

Every year, our English Education program has at least a 90% job placement rate.

Career Development Checklist

- Update your resume early & often
- Drop into the C2 Hub's Career Lab
- Secure an internship or career aligned part time job to develop essential skills for graduation

Career Information

What skills do employers want?

- Effective communication skills
- Solutions-focused research skills
- Editing skills
- Cultural awareness

This major gives me the skills to:

- Produce higher-level analyses of complex 'datasets' such as printed texts or audio-visual artifacts (e.g., novels, films) and language-focused databases
- Understand different socio-cultural and historical contexts
- Write effectively for specific audiences and purposes in different media

What careers can I pursue?

- Publishing
- Marketing and Advertising
- Editing
- Teaching
- Legal Professions
- Office Coordinator

