Immerse yourself in the study of literature, language and culture, and open yourself up to the world—and to a world of opportunities.

Literature helps us to understand a diverse range of human experiences and perspectives, enriching our lives. At the same time, with a degree in English from UND, you will gain the communication and analytical skills you need to thrive in any career.

Program Snapshot

Program type: Major
Format: On-campus
Est. time to complete: 4 years
Credit hours: 120 (major)

Why Study English at UND?

In the age of information, knowing how to write persuasively and to read perceptively is more important than ever. The ability to interpret artistic expression is vital in a world that is becoming smaller and more interdependent.

The English program at UND offers small, active-learning classes in which you discuss real-world issues. You receive individualized attention, as you develop the writing, critical thinking, and research skills that employers are looking for.

Choose from the following paths:

- Major in English (B.A.)
- Major in English (B.A.) – Teacher Licensure
- Minor in English

Whichever path you choose, you can tailor your coursework to your specific goals and set yourself up for success in any career.

Whether you’re interested in creative writing, publishing, business, arts administration, writing for digital platforms, law, medicine, teaching, or any other field, an English degree from UND helps you develop the skills you need:

- Strong reading, writing, and communication skills
- Critical thinking and interpretation, with an emphasis on solving problems
- An understanding of culture and the ability to engage with diverse perspectives
- An awareness of how creative, artistic expression makes a difference in the world

Priority Application Deadlines

FALL: Feb. 1* (freshmen) | April 15* (transfer students)
SPRING: Dec. 1
SUMMER: April 1
*academic scholarship priority deadline

Program Highlights

- Earn a Certificate in Writing and Editing
Engage with your peers through the Adelphi Literary Society
Interact with world-renowned authors at the annual UND Writers Conference

Outcomes

92%  UND English graduates employed or pursuing graduate degrees
61K  Median annual salary of writers and authors in the United States*

*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

As an English major, you'll be in demand no matter what path you pursue. What can you do with an English degree? Pretty much anything.

Your communication skills and creativity are transferable to a broad range of professions, including:

- Editor
- Translator
- Linguistic researcher
- Public relations specialist
- Journalist
- Creative writer
- Teacher
- Attorney

Our students have gone on to careers in:

- Advertising and public relations
- Journalism
- Medicine
- Law
- The ministry
- Consulting
- Publishing
- Politics
- Business
- Linguistic research
- Translation
- The military
- Teaching
- Government agencies

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