

MINOR IN ENGLISH

Program Learning Outcomes for the Minor in English

Upon completing the minor in English, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate competence in literary analysis.
2. Demonstrate understanding of literature in relation to its historical and socio-cultural contexts.
3. Demonstrate critical writing, reading, and oral communication skills in projects of varying lengths, genres, and media.

Requirements for the Minor in English

Students pursuing the minor in English must complete:

- A minimum of 6 courses (18 credit hours) to satisfy minor requirements.
- A minimum of 3 courses (9 credit hours) taken at the 300-level or above.
- A maximum of 2 courses (6 credit hours) from study abroad or transfer credit. For departmental guidelines regarding transfer credit, see the [Policies](#) (p. 2) tab.

The courses listed below satisfy the requirements for this minor. In certain instances, courses not on this official list may be substituted upon approval of the minor's academic advisor or, where applicable, the Program Director. (Course substitutions must be formally applied and entered into Degree Works by the minor's [Official Certifier](https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/) (<https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/degreeworks/officialcertifier/>)). Students and their academic advisors should identify and clearly document the courses to be taken.

Summary

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Total Credit Hours Required for the Minor in English		18

Minor Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Requirement		
ENGL 200	GATEWAYS TO LITERARY STUDY	3
Historical Foundations ^{1,2}		
Select 1 course from Historical Foundations coursework (see course list below)		3
Diverse Traditions ^{1,2}		
Select 1 course from Diverse Traditions coursework (see course list below)		3
Elective Requirements ^{1,2,3}		
Select 3 courses from departmental (ENGL) course offerings		9
Total Credit Hours		18

Footnotes and Additional Information

- ¹ Of the 6 courses (18 credit hours) required for the minor, at least 3 courses (9 credit hours) must be taken at the 300-level or above.

- ² Students may take additional Historical Foundations coursework or Diverse Traditions coursework to fulfill Elective Requirements, but the course(s) will not count toward both requirements.

- ³ Up to 1 course (3 credit hours) from departments other than English (ENGL) course offerings may be chosen to fulfill Elective Requirements. Courses must be approved by an advisor. Please consult the departmental Director of Undergraduate Studies for more information.

Course Lists to Satisfy Requirements

Historical Foundations^{1,2}

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 210	BEGINNINGS: BRITISH LITERATURE TO 1800	3
ENGL 211	BRITISH LITERATURE: ROMANTICISM TO THE 20TH CENTURY	3
ENGL 250	HISTORY OF THE NOVEL	3
ENGL 251	READING POETRY	3
ENGL 254	THE HISTORY OF LOVE	3
ENGL 260	WHAT IS AMERICAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 262	WHODUNIT & OTHER MYSTERIES: DETECTIVE FICTION AND FILM NOIR	3
ENGL 263	LATINX RESEARCH AND WRITING LAB	3
ENGL 266	GRAPHIC NOVELS IN THE AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERARY TRADITION	3
ENGL 274	HEAVEN AND HELL	3
ENGL 311	TOPICS IN MEDIEVAL LITERATURE AND/OR CULTURE	3
ENGL 314	MEDIEVAL ROMANCE	3
ENGL 316	CHAUCER	3
ENGL 317	ARTHURIAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 320	SHAKESPEARE ON FILM	3
ENGL 321	SHAKESPEARE	3
ENGL 323	RENAISSANCE DRAMA	3
ENGL 328	JOHN MILTON: RADICAL THOUGHT THEN AND NOW	3
ENGL 331	PERSON, ANIMAL, THING: LITERATURE AND THE EXPERIMENTAL IMAGINATION 1640-1800	3
ENGL 332	LITERATURE OF THE BRITISH ENLIGHTENMENT	3
ENGL 333	18TH CENTURY BRITISH FICTION	3
ENGL 337	GOthic AMERICAN LITERATURE: TERROR, HORROR, THE GROTESQUE, AND THE SUBLIME IN AMERICAN CULTURE	3
ENGL 338	BRITISH ROMANTICISM	3
ENGL 339	ROMANTICISM: RUINS, RACE, AND REVOLUTION	3
ENGL 340	CALDERWOOD SEMINAR IN PUBLIC WRITING	3
ENGL 342	SURVEY OF VICTORIAN FICTION	3
ENGL 343	JANE AUSTEN'S WORLDS	3
ENGL 344	ACCOUNTING FOR DICKENS	3

ENGL 360	AMERICAN LITERATURE BEFORE THE CIVIL WAR	3	ENGL 389 / SWGS 389	YOUTH STUDIES	3
ENGL 361	US LITERATURE FROM THE CIVIL WAR TO WWI	3	ENGL 393	BLACK MANHATTAN: 1915-1940	3
ENGL 430	EMPIRE AND BRITISH LITERATURE 1700-1950	3	ENGL 394	TONI MORRISON & WILLIAM FAULKNER SEMINAR	3
ENGL 441	VICTORIAN STUDIES	3	ENGL 398	SLAVERY IN 20TH AND 21ST CENTURY FILM AND FICTION	3
ENGL 459	STUDIES IN LITERATURE AND ECOLOGY	3	ENGL 430	EMPIRE AND BRITISH LITERATURE 1700-1950	3
ENGL 461	19TH-CENTURY AMERICAN STUDIES	3	ENGL 471	EARLY MEXICAN AMERICAN WRITING & PRINT CULTURE	3

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Diverse Traditions ^{1,2}

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ENGL 222 / ASIA 222	THE WORLD AND SOUTH ASIA	3
ENGL 230	INTRODUCTION TO LATINX LITERATURE	3
ENGL 263	LATINX RESEARCH AND WRITING LAB	3
ENGL 266	GRAPHIC NOVELS IN THE AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERARY TRADITION	3
ENGL 267	INTRODUCTION TO AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 279	BLACK SCI-FI & SPECULATIVE FICTIONS	3
ENGL 315	INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY TRANSLATION	3
ENGL 354 / SWGS 364	QUEER LITERARY CULTURES	3
ENGL 359	WRITING NEW ORLEANS—THE CITY AS MUSE	3
ENGL 369 / SWGS 329	THE AMERICAN WEST AND ITS OTHERS	3
ENGL 370 / SWGS 370	AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 371 / SPAN 396 / SWGS 354	CHICANO/A LITERATURE	3
ENGL 372	ASIAN AMERICAN LITERATURE	3
ENGL 376	SOUTHEAST ASIAN LITERATURE IN ENGLISH	3
ENGL 379	THIRD WORLD LITERATURE	3
ENGL 380	CONTEMPORARY ANGLOPHONE LITERATURES	3
ENGL 381 / SWGS 327	TOPICS IN WOMEN WRITERS	3
ENGL 382 / SWGS 380	FEMINIST THEORY	3
ENGL 383	GLOBAL FICTIONS	3
ENGL 387	TOPICS IN CULTURAL STUDIES	3

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Policies for the Minor in English

Program Restrictions and Exclusions

Students pursuing the minor in English should be aware of the following program restriction:

- As noted in *Majors, Minors, and Certificates* (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-opportunities/majors-minors-certificates/>), i.) students may declare their intent to pursue a minor only after they have first declared a major, and ii.) students may not major and minor in the same subject.

Transfer Credit

For Rice University's policy regarding transfer credit, see *Transfer Credit* (<https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/transfer-credit/>). Some departments and programs have additional restrictions on transfer credit. Requests for transfer credit must be approved for Rice equivalency by the designated transfer credit advisor for the appropriate academic department offering the Rice equivalent course (corresponding to the subject code of the course content). The Office of Academic Advising maintains the university's official list of *transfer credit advisors* (<https://oaa.rice.edu/advising-network/transfer-credit-advisors/>) on their website: <https://oaa.rice.edu>. Students are encouraged to meet with the applicable transfer credit advisor as well as their academic program director when considering transfer credit possibilities.

Departmental Transfer Credit Guidelines

Students pursuing the minor in English should be aware of the following departmental transfer credit guideline:

- No more than 2 courses (6 credit hours) of transfer credit from U.S. or international universities of similar standing as Rice may apply towards the minor.

Distribution Credit Information

The determination of distribution credit eligibility is done initially as part of the *new course creation process* (<https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/courseprocess/>). Additionally, as part of an *annual roll call* (https://registrar.rice.edu/facstaff/distribution_credit/) coordinated each Spring by the Office of the Registrar, course distribution credit eligibility is

routinely reviewed and reaffirmed by the Dean's Offices of each of the academic schools.

Faculty and leadership in the academic schools are responsible for ensuring that the courses identified as distribution-credit-eligible meet the criteria as set in the [General Announcements \(https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text\)](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text). Students are responsible for ensuring that they meet [graduation requirements \(https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text\)](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/academic-policies-procedures/graduation-requirements/#text) by completing coursework designated as distribution-credit-eligible at the time of course registration.

Distribution courses from English (ENGL) aim to develop students' critical and aesthetic understanding of texts and the arts, lead students to examine ideas and values, and introduce students to the craft of writing as it poses conceptual and intellectual problems. They engage students with works of culture that have intellectual importance by virtue of the ideas that they express, their historical influence, mode of expression, and critical engagement with established cultural assumptions and traditions.

Additional Information

For additional information, please see the English website: <https://english.rice.edu/>.

Opportunities for the Minor in English

Academic Honors

The university recognizes academic excellence achieved over an undergraduate's academic history at Rice. For information on university honors, please see [Latin Honors \(https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/\)](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/) (*summa cum laude*, *magna cum laude*, and *cum laude*) and [Distinction in Research and Creative Work \(https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/\)](https://ga.rice.edu/undergraduate-students/honors-distinctions/university/). Some departments have department-specific Honors awards or designations.

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