Bachelor of Arts
ENGLISH

Why Study **English** at UMD?

Our graduates at the UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND are creative thinkers and global visionaries who put their deep study of literature, writing, rhetoric and media to work in a range of fields from education, politics and law to publishing, marketing and communications. Majors study independently and alongside intellectually and culturally diverse scholars and students to gather, analyze and disseminate information that connects important civic and cultural topics of our past, present and future. Our curriculum inspires flexibility and provides unparalleled opportunities for students to apply what they have learned to internships with institutions in the Baltimore-Washington, D.C. area.

ENGLISH CURRICULUM

English is one of the most popular majors in the College of Arts & Humanities, with many students double majoring in fields like business, computer science, government and pre-health. We train students in the structures of the English language and in writing practices, both creative and professional, as well as timely approaches for interpreting human expression across literature, rhetoric and media. We trace a range of historical periods, from the global to the local, all with a focus on diverse communities and civic engagement. Students hone their critical and creative reasoning through their chosen specialization in literary and cultural studies; creative writing; media studies; or language, writing and rhetoric.

SAMPLE COURSE TITLES

- ▶ Persuasion and Cleverness in Social Media
- ▶ BookLab: How to Do Things with Books
- ▶ Black Performance from Slavery to Hip-Hop
- ▶ Scriptwriting for Theater, Film, and Television
- ▶ English at Work

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ENGLISH DEGREES IN ACTION

98% of recent English graduates are either working full time, interning or pursuing graduate studies.* Here's where some of our English graduates are working or studying:

- ▶ National Geographic Partners, Special Operations Coordinator
- ▶ U.S. House of Representatives, Design and Multimedia Producer
- ▶ Montgomery County Public Schools, English Teacher
- ▶ Money Map Press, Editor
- ▶ University of California, Berkeley, School of Law
- ▶ Library of Congress, Junior Fellow
- ▶ International Software Systems, Inc., Technical Writer
- ▶ Embassy of Peru in the United States, Translator

Placement rate is based on the May 2019 university graduation survey

TIPS FOR CAREER SUCCESS

It's never too early to start planning for your career after graduation. Make an appointment to talk with the University Career Center @ARHU. We'll work with you to assess your skills, values and interests and use them to find opportunities that meet your goals. Academic and career advisors will help you incorporate internships, living-learning programs, global experiences, research and more into your academic plan. Studies show that having one or more internships increases your ability to land a full-time position after graduation. Learn more at careers.umd.edu.

BE WORLDWISE. GET WORLDREADY. CAREER INITIATIVE

The "Be Worldwise. Get Worldready." initiative prepares students to adapt and thrive in the workplace and shapes the kind of global citizens they can become. It creatively integrates career development in the ARHU academic experience by offering strategic career preparation and academic advising; engages faculty to develop new and reimagined courses, majors and minors; and provides opportunities to apply scholarship to practice. Students learn to communicate the real-world value of their arts and humanities degree through this initiative.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF ARTS & HUMANITIES (ARHU)

ARHU is home to 14 departments and 79 bachelor's degrees, minors and certificate programs, so you can tailor your degree (or double major) across various fields of study, including performing and visual arts, languages, literatures and cultures. With an 8 to 1 student to faculty ratio, ARHU offers you the benefits of a tight-knit community with access to the resources of a large, public research institution near the nation's capital.

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