English Major Requirements

**Major Requirements**: Ten courses and a minimum of 36 credit hours for a letter grade. These ten courses must incorporate the following plan:

- English 205
- Four 300- or 400-level English courses in an area of concentration developed by the student with guidance from a faculty advisor
- Five electives

Included in these ten courses must be four courses other than ENG 205 that meet the following distribution requirements:

- One course in British literature before 1660
- One course in post-1660 British, Irish or other non-American Anglophone literature
- One course in American literature
- One course having a theoretical or interdisciplinary component

Two of the four courses satisfying these distribution requirements must be at the 300 or 400 level.

**I. English 205.**

**II. Four courses at the 300 or 400 level in an area of concentration developed by the student with guidance from a faculty advisor.** The area of concentration can be modified through the end of the Junior year, but keep in mind where you want the focus of your major to be as you choose upper level courses.

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Tentative concentration and idea-linking courses:

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III. Five Electives.

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IV. Distribution Requirements: Reviewing your electives and your courses for the concentration—that is, all the courses listed above except for ENG 205. You must have covered the distribution requirements listed below. (Please note that no course can count towards more than one distribution requirement and that at least two of these courses must be at the 300 or 400 level. If you are uncertain about whether a course can count towards a requirement, please check the department website under major requirements or contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies.)

One course in British literature before 1660: ______________________________________

One course in British literature after 1660 (including any non-American Anglophone literature):
____________________________________

One course in American Literature: ________________________________________________

One course having a theoretical or interdisciplinary dimension:
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Important: The following courses do not count towards the major: 101, 181, 190, and 496R. No more than two creative writing courses may count towards the major.

Students in the “4+1 Bachelor’s/Master’s Program” are subject to the above requirements except such students may count up to four graduate seminars toward their ten-course requirement. Two of these graduate seminars may be taken pass/fail and any may be counted toward the area of concentration.

Ordinarily, a maximum of eight credit hours (two courses) earned off campus may be applied toward the major and at least two of the courses included within an area of concentration must be taken at Emory University. Under extraordinary circumstances, the Director of Undergraduate Studies may approve petitions for exceptions to this rule.