

# ENGLISH ASSOCIATE IN ARTS AND CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT



The English major fulfills lower division requirements at most four-year colleges and universities and thus provides a broad-based foundation for transfer. For particular requirements, transfer students should consult the catalog of the transfer institution for specific requirements.

The study of English gives life-long pleasures to students in exploring and understanding how language works to express human ideas and feelings. English course work also helps people succeed in such diverse fields as teaching, writing, editing, journalism, advertising, public relations, law, insurance, communications, film and video work, politics, business, and medicine.

## Career Opportunities

<https://www.grossmont.edu/student-support/career-center/resources.php>

Advertising Manager<sup>1</sup>  
Announcer (Radio and TV)  
Clergy Member  
College English Professor<sup>1</sup>  
Fiction/Nonfiction Writer  
Foreign Service Officer  
Freelance Writer<sup>1</sup>  
Fund Raiser<sup>1</sup>  
Media Planner<sup>1</sup>  
Reporter<sup>1</sup>  
Researcher<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Bachelor's Degree or higher required.

The Program-level Student Learning Outcomes (PSLOs) below are outcomes that students will achieve after completing specific degree / certificate requirements in this program. Students will:

1. Read a variety of genres and texts critically.
2. Write persuasively in a variety of genres and contexts.
3. Investigate ideas effectively through sound research and writing techniques.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of diverse cultural perspectives.

## Associate Degree Major Requirements

### Core Curriculum

Code	Title	Units
ENGL-120 or ESL-122	College Composition and Reading College Rhetoric	3-6
ENGL-122	Introduction to Literature	3
ENGL-124	Advanced Composition: Critical Reasoning and Writing	3

ENGL-126	Introduction to Creative Writing	3
Select two of the following:		6
ENGL-221	British Literature I	
ENGL-222	British Literature II	
ENGL-231	American Literature I	
ENGL-232	American Literature II	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL-215	Mythology	
ENGL-236 or ETHN-236	Chicana/o Literature Chicana/o Literature	
ENGL-237 or ETHN-237	American Indian Literature American Indian Literature	
ENGL-238 or ETHN-238	Black Literature Black Literature	
Select one of the following:		3
HIST-100	Early World History	
HIST-101	Modern World History	
HIST-105	Early Western Civilization	
HIST-106	Modern Western Civilization	
HUM-120	European Humanities	
HUM-170	Modern World Humanities	

**Total Units** **24-27**

Plus General Education (<https://catalog.gcccd.edu/grossmont/admission-information/general-education-transfer/>) and Elective Requirements

## Recommended Electives

Students planning to transfer to four-year institutions to complete a bachelor's degree in English are **strongly** urged to take the following courses, depending on the requirements at those schools.

Code	Title	Units
Two sequential semesters of a single foreign language		10
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>10</b>

## Certificate of Achievement

Any student who chooses to complete only those courses required for the above major (i.e., 24 units) qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement in English. An official request must be filed with the Admissions and Records Office prior to the deadline as stated in the Academic Calendar.

## Creative Writing Area of Emphasis

Code	Title	Units
Select six (6) additional units from the following:		6
ENGL-130	Short Fiction Writing I	
ENGL-131	Short Fiction Writing II	
ENGL-132	Short Fiction Writing III	
ENGL-133	Short Fiction Writing IV	
ENGL-134	Creative Nonfiction Writing I	
ENGL-135	Creative Nonfiction Writing II	
ENGL-136	Creative Nonfiction Writing III	
ENGL-137	Creative Nonfiction Writing IV	
ENGL-140	Poetry Writing I	

ENGL-141	Poetry Writing II
ENGL-142	Poetry Writing III
ENGL-143	Poetry Writing IV
ENGL-145	Acorn Review: Editing and Production I
ENGL-146	Acorn Review: Editing and Production II
ENGL-147	Acorn Review: Editing and Production III
ENGL-148	Acorn Review: Editing and Production IV
ENGL-160	Drama Writing I
ENGL-161	Drama Writing II
ENGL-162	Drama Writing III
ENGL-163	Drama Writing IV
ENGL-175	Novel Writing I
ENGL-176	Novel Writing II
ENGL-177	Novel Writing III
ENGL-178	Novel Writing IV
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<b>Total Units</b>	<b>6</b>

Plus General Education (<https://catalog.gcccd.edu/grossmont/admission-information/general-education-transfer/>) and Elective Requirements

## Certificate of Achievement

Any student who chooses to complete only those courses required for the above major (i.e., 30 units) qualifies for a Certificate of Achievement in English – Creative Writing. An official request must be filed with the Admissions and Records Office prior to the deadline as stated in the Academic Calendar.