

# ENGLISH, B.A. TO ENGLISH, M.A. ACCELERATED PROGRAM

Saint Louis University's English, B.A., to English, M.A., program will allow English majors to begin Master of Arts coursework as part of their undergraduate degree in order to complete the master's program in one year. SLU's accelerated program provides a master's opportunity for majors who are interested in teaching in private schools or pursuing other professional careers. It will also offer an opportunity to finish the master's more efficiently before going on to a Ph.D. program.

For additional information, see the catalog entries for the following programs:

B.A. in English (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/english/english-ba/>)

M.A. in English (<https://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/arts-sciences/english/english-ma/>)

## Requirements

Students wishing to apply to this accelerated B.A. to M.A. program should have completed at least 60 credit hours at the time of application. They must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher in their overall transcript and a GPA of 3.5 or higher in their English coursework.

To apply, students must submit the following materials:

- A 750-word professional goal statement (a more detailed description is available in the current catalog's overview of English M.A. admissions criteria).
- A writing sample of approximately 10 pages.
- A current CV or resume.
- The names of at least three members of the English department faculty with whom the student has taken a 3xxx or 4xxx-level course.

## Continuation Standards

While students in the accelerated B.A. to M.A. (ABM) program retain undergraduate status, the policies for continuation in the program will mirror those already in place for continuation in the bachelor's program, except that they must maintain at least a 3.0 GPA in both the major and overall transcript with no more than one grade of C or below and carry no more than one incomplete grade or missing grade into a new semester. Students who drop below these standards while in the ABM program would be able to seek a one-semester probationary period before being dropped from the ABM program. Once formally becoming an M.A. student, the continuation standards of that program would apply. Students must also complete at least 12 graded credit hours per year until coursework requirements have been met.

## Roadmap

This roadmap is just one example of a semester-by-semester plan of study for this program. There are other plans students can and do take. The plan of study for each particular student is established in consultation with each student's academic advisor; *this roadmap does not replace academic advising appointments.*

Roadmap notes:

- This Roadmap assumes full-time enrollment unless otherwise noted.
- Courses/Milestones marked with an "!" are critical and must be completed in the semester listed in the Roadmap to ensure a timely graduation.
- Course availability and sequencing are subject to change.

Course	Title	Credits
<b>Year One</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 1900	Advanced Strategies of Rhetoric and Research	3
Courses for core		12
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 3000	Encountering English	3
Courses for core		12
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Two</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 3020	Shapes of English	3
ENGL 3XXX	English Major Courses	3
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 3XXX	English Major Courses	6
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Three</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 4140	Reading & Writing Justice	3
ENGL 4XXX	English Major Course	3
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 4960	Senior Capstone Workshop	3
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Seminar	3
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Four</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 5000	Methods of Literary Research	3
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Seminar	3
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
ENGL 5110	Literary Theory	3
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Course	3
Courses for core		9
<b>Credits</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Year Five</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Courses	6

ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Course or Thesis	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>Spring</b>		
Masters Exam		
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Course	3
ENGL 5/6XXX	Graduate Course, Essay or Thesis	3
<b>Credits</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>135</b>

## Contact Us

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