

Our English program offers training in the fine points of reading and writing, while also exposing you to literary theory and its applications in critical thinking. Passionate and dedicated teachers will encourage you to push boundaries and explore creativity around the written and spoken word.

Sample First Year Schedule

Your first year classes in English will consist of a mixture of courses within your major, general education courses and elective courses outside your major.

Course Type	Course(s)	Credits
Major Course	AP/EN 1001 - Introduction to Literary Study	3.00
Major Course	AP/EN 1002 - Intertextualities	3.00
General Education Course	Any approved 1000 level course from the Humanities or Social Sciences	6.00 or 9.00
General Education Course	Any approved course from the Natural Sciences	6.00
Course Outside English	Any course that is not an English course or general education course	3.00 or 6.00
Elective Course	Any course for which you meet the prerequisite requirements	3.00

Total 30.00
(maximum)

Program Options

With English, you have the option of taking another program within the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies as a Double Major or pursuing another program as a Minor. English can also be taken as a minor.

Double Major Options Include:

Children, Childhood and Youth	Linguistics
Communication Studies	Philosophy
History	Professional Writing
Humanities	+ many more!

Minor Options Include:

Children, Childhood and Youth	Linguistics
French Studies	Philosophy
History	Professional Writing
Humanities	+ many more!

The York Promise

York is here to support you throughout your unique university journey. Beyond academic achievement, we strive to enrich your student experience through personal and professional development by offering:

- Career-Focused Services**
 Career advising, career fairs and networking opportunities to help sharpen your professional edge.
- Academic Support**
 Learning skills workshops, outstanding libraries, academic accommodations, transition programs and academic advising services designed to help you every step of the way.
- Social & Leadership Development Programs**
 A vibrant social scene with more than 300 clubs and organizations to enhance student life, and help you develop soft skills you can bring to the table in your future career.



Sabrina Fortino
Fourth Year Student
English

"The English program has allowed me to develop my communication skills in a complex way that can be applied to literature and linguistics. It has further my developed my appreciation for literary works as well as the study of language."

Your Degree Pathway

A degree in English requires the completion of 90 Credits for a Bachelor's Degree (three years) or 120 Credits for an Honours Degree (four years). Your courses will consist of Major, General Education, and Elective Courses.

First Year

First year will introduce you to the university environment, provide you with general education courses, and allow options for you to study courses aligned with your own interests.



English Courses: Introduction to Literary Studies, Intertextualities

General Education Courses: Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

Elective Courses: Your choice of courses outside of English

Second Year

In your second year, you will focus on the critical topics in the major areas of literary study.



English Courses: Theory Course (Gender or Literature Studies), Genre Course (Poetry, Prose, Drama + more), Canon Course (British Literature, Canadian Literature, World Literature, + more)

General Education Courses: Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

Elective Courses: Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

Third Year

Your third year in English will allow you to explore specific interests in the field.



English Course Options: Avant Garde Movements, Travel Literature, Shakespeare, English Romantics + many more

Elective Courses: Choose new subjects to explore or continue to develop skills from previous selections

Fourth Year

In your fourth and final year, your courses in English will be designed to meet your specific interests, with your choice of studying either a single author, period, place or movement.



English Course Options: Visionary Literature, Canadian Graphic Novels, Arthurian Literature, Edgar Allen Poe, Virginia Woolf + many more

Elective Courses: These courses can include additional English courses or further courses of interest at the upper level



Your Degree!