

Bachelor of Arts

English with a Major in Secondary English Education (6-12) (BA)

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This program leads to eligibility for teacher licensure in Virginia. Licensure in English prepares students for a full range of secondary school teaching assignments. The program is accredited by the State of Virginia; in addition, Virginia has licensure reciprocity agreements with thirty other states, should the student leave Virginia.

The program combines the usual requirements of a college major. Students take courses in Old Dominion University's College of Arts and Letters and Darden College of Education and Professional Studies.

Requirements

Lower-Division General Education

Written Communication (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#written)	6
Oral Communication (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#oral)	3
Mathematics (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#math)	3
Language and Culture (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#language)	0-6
Information Literacy and Research (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#information)	3
Human Behavior (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#behavior)	3
Human Creativity (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#creativity)	3
Interpreting the Past (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#interpret)	3
Literature (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#literature)	3
Philosophy and Ethics (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#philosophy)	3
The Nature of Science (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#nature)	8
Impact of Technology (https://catalog.odu.edu/undergraduate/requirements-undergraduate-degrees/#impact)	3

Written Communication: Grade of C or better required in both courses and in ENGL 110C before declaring major.

Language and Culture: BA students must have competence through the 202 level; competence is not met by completion of the associate degree.

Impact of Technology: met in the major with ENGL 307T.

Upper-Division General Education

Satisfied through the professional education sequence.

Requirements for Graduation

Requirements for graduation include completion of ENGL 110C, ENGL 211C or ENGL 231C, and the writing intensive (W) course in the major with a grade of C or better, completion of the Senior Assessment; a minimum cumulative 2.75 GPA in the major area and in the professional education core with no grade less than a C in the major/core and with no grade less than a C- in the professional education core;

successful completion of the Teacher Candidate Internship; and a minimum of 120 credit hours, which must include both a minimum of 30 credit hours overall and 12 credit hours of upper-level courses in the major program from Old Dominion University.

Licensure requirements also include certificate of completion in First Aid/AED/CPR, Dyslexia Awareness Training, Child Abuse and Neglect Recognition and Intervention Training, and Regulations Governing the Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Elementary and Secondary Schools, and Cultural Competence Training.

Due to changing University requirements, national accreditation standards, and the Virginia Board of Education licensure regulations, the teacher education programs in the College of Arts and Letters are under constant revision. Any changes resulting from these factors supersede the program requirements described in this Catalog. Students are encouraged to obtain current program information from their advisors and from the Office of Clinical Experiences website at www.odu.edu/oce (<http://www.odu.edu/tes/>).

Secondary English Education (6-12) Major**

General Education

Complete lower-division requirements	38-44
Complete upper-division requirements (met in the major through professional education coursework)	
Complete foreign language coursework through the 202 level	0-6

Secondary English Education (6-12)

ENGL 307T	Digital Writing	3
ENGL 327W	Advanced Composition *	3
ENGL 333	Introduction to Critical Theory	3
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 325	Introduction to Rhetorical Studies	
ENGL 370	English Linguistics	

Required Literature Electives

Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 301	Introduction to British Literature I	
ENGL 302	Introduction to British Literature II	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 345	American Literature to 1860	
ENGL 346	American Literature Since 1860	
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 360	World Literature I	
ENGL 363	World Literature II	
ENGL 493	Contemporary World Literature	
ENGL 459W	New Literatures in English	

Additional Requirements for the Major:

Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 418W	Jewish Writers *	
ENGL 459W	New Literatures in English *	
ENGL 463W	Women Writers *	
ENGL 464W	Native American Literature *	
ENGL 465W	African American Literature *	
ENGL 466W	Asian American Literature *	
ENGL 350	Aspects of the English Language	3
300-/400-Level ENGL Electives (see elective options below)		6
ENGL 406	The Teaching of Literature	3
ENGL 455	The Teaching of Composition, Grades 6-12	3

Professional Education Courses

TLED 301	Foundations and Introduction to Assessment of Education	3
TLED 360	Classroom Management and Discipline	2
TLED 408	Reading and Writing in Content Areas	3
TLED 430W	PK-12 Instructional Technology	3

TLED 451	Developing Instructional Strategies for Teaching in the Middle/High School: English	3
TLED 483	Seminar in Teacher Education	1
TLED 485	Teacher Candidate Internship	12
SPED 313	Fundamentals of Human Growth and Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
SPED 400	Foundations of Special Education: Legal Aspects and Characteristics	3

Total Credit Hours **110-122**

- * Grade of C or better required
- ** Courses may only meet one program requirement.

300-/400-Level Electives

Students will select one area of focus for electives: Language, Literary and Cultural Studies, or Writing. Both electives must be taken from the same area of focus.

Language: ENGL 368, ENGL 369, ENGL 370, ENGL 371W, ENGL 390, ENGL 395, ENGL 396, ENGL 440, ENGL 442, ENGL 443, ENGL 444, ENGL 445, ENGL 447, ENGL 450, ENGL 468, ENGL 494, ENGL 495, ENGL 496, ENGL 497, ENGL 498

Literary and Cultural Studies: ENGL 301, ENGL 302, ENGL 303, ENGL 304, ENGL 340, ENGL 342, ENGL 345, ENGL 346, ENGL 349, ENGL 360, ENGL 363, ENGL 368, ENGL 369, ENGL 385, ENGL 395, ENGL 396, ENGL 407, ENGL 416, ENGL 418W, ENGL 419, ENGL 421, ENGL 423, ENGL 432, ENGL 433, ENGL 438, ENGL 441, ENGL 447, ENGL 448, ENGL 453, ENGL 459W, ENGL 461, ENGL 463W, ENGL 464W, ENGL 465W, ENGL 466W, ENGL 468, ENGL 492, ENGL 493, ENGL 494, ENGL 495, ENGL 496

Writing: ENGL 300W, ENGL 325, ENGL 334W, ENGL 335, ENGL 338, ENGL 351, ENGL 352, ENGL 354, ENGL 355, ENGL 368, ENGL 369, ENGL 396, ENGL 427W, ENGL 435W, ENGL 436, ENGL 439, ENGL 449, ENGL 451, ENGL 452, ENGL 454, ENGL 456, ENGL 457, ENGL 468, ENGL 484, ENGL 485W, ENGL 494, ENGL 495, ENGL 496, ENGL 497, ENGL 498

Additional Requirements and Information

Admission

All students must apply for and be admitted into the approved secondary English education program. Students must meet the required criteria for admission as described below.

Prescribed Virginia Board of Education Assessment for Admission to an Approved Teacher Education Program

Old Dominion University students seeking admission to an approved teacher education program must satisfy the Virginia Board of Education required assessment for admission into an approved teacher education program.

For the most current information on the prescribed Virginia Board of Education admission assessment, visit the Virginia Department of Education at <https://www.doe.virginia.gov/>.

Required grade point averages (GPA)

- A cumulative GPA of 2.75 is required.
- A major/content GPA of 2.75 is required – all upper-division English courses must be passed with a grade of C- or higher. Lower-division and English W courses must be passed with a grade of C or higher.
- A professional education GPA of 2.75 is required – all professional education courses must be passed with a grade of C- or higher.

Although students may enroll in a limited number of education courses, students must be admitted into the approved secondary English education program prior to enrolling in any instructional strategies practicum education course.

Continuance

Students must maintain the required GPA and grades once they are accepted into the Darden College of Education and Professional Studies. Students must take and pass the Praxis Subject Assessment, English Language Arts content knowledge (test code #5038) prior to or while enrolled in the instructional strategies course. This assessment must be passed prior to the start of the Teacher Candidate Internship Orientation session.

Background Clearance Requirement

Old Dominion University requires a background clearance check of candidates interested in many of the professional education programs. Professional education programs have several field experiences that are required for continuance and graduation from the program. The background clearance must be successfully completed prior to a field experience placement. Candidates will be provided a field experience placement when the background check process is completed with resolution of any issues. The process to complete the ODU clearance background check is located at: <http://www.odu.edu/success/academic/teacher-education/placement/background-checks> (<http://www.odu.edu/success/academic/teacher-education/placement/background-checks/>). The ODU clearance process includes: an FBI fingerprint, a child protective service/social service review, and a Virginia State Police sex offender registry review. Candidates interested in the professional education programs are advised to complete this clearance process immediately upon entry into the program since the clearance process takes a minimum of eight weeks to complete.

Virginia Board of Education Prescribed Assessments for Licensure

- Praxis Subject Assessment, English Language Arts content knowledge (test code #5038)--passing score of 167 required.

Students are encouraged to complete the following courses (or their approved equivalents in consultation with their advisor) prior to taking the Praxis content knowledge licensure test:

- *Reading:* ENGL 301 or ENGL 302, ENGL 333, ENGL 345 or ENGL 346, ENGL 360 or ENGL 363 or ENGL 459W or ENGL 493, ENGL 459W or ENGL 463W or ENGL 464W or ENGL 465W or ENGL 466W, ENGL 406, TLED 408
- *Language Use and Vocabulary:* ENGL 350, ENGL 325 or ENGL 370
- *Writing, Speaking, and Listening:* ENGL 307T, ENGL 327W, ENGL 455, TLED 408

While we highlight courses that are most likely to support students in developing particular disciplinary understandings, English content knowledge is developed across required literature, composition, linguistics and English/literacy pedagogy courses. Please consult with your academic advisor with any questions and before registering for your licensure test.

To review more information on the Virginia Board of Education prescribed assessments, visit the Office of Clinical Experiences website, www.odu.edu/occe (<http://www.odu.edu/tes/>).

Advising

To declare an English major or minor, students must see the English chief departmental advisor (CDA). The CDA will assign each major to a faculty advisor. All English majors are required to have a conference with their English advisor before each semester (preferably during preregistration). The CDA will hold periodic group meetings with English majors to keep them fully informed.

Research Practicum

Students who wish to combine research and real-world experience can take ENGL 369 Research Practicum.

Degree Program Guide

The Degree Program Guide is a suggested curriculum to complete this degree program in four years. It is just one of several plans that will work and is presented only as broad guidance to students. Each student is strongly encouraged to develop a customized plan in consultation with their academic advisor. Additional information can also be found in Degree Works.

Course	Title	Credit Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
ENGL 110C	English Composition (Grade of C or better required)	3
Mathematical Skills		3
Human Creativity		3
Interpreting the Past		3
Elective or Language and Culture I (May be waived; See requirement details)		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
Oral Communication		3
Literature		3
Information Literacy and Research		3
Human Behavior		3
Elective or Language and Culture II (May be waived; See requirement details)		1-3
Credit Hours		13-15
Sophomore		
Fall		
ENGL 211C or ENGL 231C	Writing, Rhetoric, and Research (Grade of C or better required) or Writing, Rhetoric, and Research: Special Topics	3
Nature of Science I		4
Language and Culture III		3
Philosophy and Ethics		3
TLED 301	Foundations and Introduction to Assessment of Education	3
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
Nature of Science II		4
Language and Culture IV		3
ENGL 327W	Advanced Composition (Grade of C or better required)	3
ENGL 302 or ENGL 346	Introduction to British Literature II ⁺ or American Literature Since 1860	3
SPED 313	Fundamentals of Human Growth and Development: Birth through Adolescence	3
Credit Hours		16
Junior		
Fall		
ENGL 301 or ENGL 345	Introduction to British Literature I ⁺ or American Literature to 1860	3
ENGL 325 or ENGL 370	Introduction to Rhetorical Studies or English Linguistics	3
ENGL 333	Introduction to Critical Theory	3
TLED 430W	PK-12 Instructional Technology	3

300-/400-Level ENGL Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Spring		
Select one of the following (Grade of C or better in at least one W course required):		3
ENGL 418W	Jewish Writers	
ENGL 459W	New Literatures in English	
ENGL 463W	Women Writers	
ENGL 464W	Native American Literature	
ENGL 465W	African American Literature	
ENGL 466W	Asian American Literature	
ENGL 307T	Digital Writing	3
ENGL 350	Aspects of the English Language	3
ENGL 455	The Teaching of Composition, Grades 6-12	3
TLED 360	Classroom Management and Discipline	2
300-/400-Level ENGL Elective		3
Credit Hours		17
Senior		
Fall		
Select one of the following:		3
ENGL 360	World Literature I	
ENGL 363	World Literature II	
ENGL 459W	New Literatures in English	
ENGL 493	Contemporary World Literature	
ENGL 406	The Teaching of Literature	3
SPED 400	Foundations of Special Education: Legal Aspects and Characteristics	3
TLED 408	Reading and Writing in Content Areas	3
TLED 451	Developing Instructional Strategies for Teaching in the Middle/High School: English	3
TLED 483	Seminar in Teacher Education	1
Credit Hours		16
Spring		
TLED 485	Teacher Candidate Internship	12
Credit Hours		12
Total Credit Hours		120-122

+ Students must take ENGL 301 or ENGL 302 *and* ENGL 345 or ENGL 346 to complete the major.