

# ENGLISH: AMERICAN LITERATURE & CULTURE, BA

Students deciding to pursue English at Penn study language, literature, literary history and theories of literary production in a thirteen-course major of flexible design. While completing the language and literature requirement and the five required courses in the literary historical "core," majors also pursue their own special literary interests in six-course concentrations of their own choosing. English offers more than twenty distinct concentrations, including several options for creative writers.

The minimum total course units (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/credits-needed-major>) for graduation in this major is 33. Double majors may entail more course units.

**For more information:** <http://www.english.upenn.edu/Undergrad/>

For information about the General Education requirements, please visit the College of Arts & Sciences Curriculum (<https://www.college.upenn.edu/curriculum>) page.

Code	Title	Course Units
<b>College General Education Requirements and Free Electives</b>		
Foundational Approaches + Sectors <sup>1</sup> + Free Electives		20
<b>Major Requirements</b>		
<i>Core Requirement</i>		
Select one course in each sector from ENGL 015-ENGL 099: <sup>2</sup>		6
Sector 1 - Theory & Poetics		
Sector 2 - Difference and Diaspora		
Sector 3 - Medieval/Renaissance		
Sector 4 - Lit of the Long 18th C (ca. 1660-1832)		
Sector 5 - 19th Century Literature		
Sector 6 - 20th Century Literature		
<i>The Junior Seminar</i>		
ENGL 200	Junior Research Seminar (Seminar 1) (may be double-counted in the core)	1
<i>Seminars</i>		
Select one seminar in each area from ENGL 110-ENGL 599:		4
Sem 1: Literature Before 1700		
Sem 2: Literature Before 1900		
Sem 3: ENGL (may be double-counted in the core)		
Sem 4: ENGL or Related (may be double-counted in the core)		
<i>Electives</i>		
Select 2-5 course units from ENGL 015-ENGL 599 <sup>3</sup>		2-5
<i>Concentration Requirements</i>		
Select 4 course units of American Literature and Culture courses with 2 course units 200-level seminar or higher <sup>4</sup>		
Total Course Units		33

<sup>1</sup> You may count no more than one course toward both a Major and a Sector requirement. For Exceptions, check the Policy Statement (<http://www.college.upenn.edu/sectors-policy>).

<sup>2</sup> For up to three sectors, a seminar may be double-counted in the core.

<sup>3</sup> Take additional 3 course units if Seminars 1, 2 and 3 are double-counted in core.

<sup>4</sup> Concentration may be comprised from the 13 course units of the major, or other courses.

## Honors

Applicants must have a 3.6 GPA in the major. Thesis required.

The degree and major requirements displayed are intended as a guide for students entering in the Fall of 2018 and later. Students should consult with their academic program regarding final certifications and requirements for graduation.