Next Steps

Freshman Highlights

- Classes to take: ENG 101
- Schedule time to meet with an academic advisor in the Students First Office to develop a 4-year plan
- Apply to participate in special interest housing
- Sign up early for tutoring and Supplemental Instruction through Student Success Center
- Log into SpartanCareers to view jobs and start your career
- Check out undergraduate research opportunities
- Review the ExploreIt! Shadow Program

Sophomore Highlights

- Meet with your faculty advisor to ensure you are on track in completing your GEC requirements
- Visit Students First Office to estimate your GPA and review your degree evaluation
- Visit Career Services Center to talk with a Peer Career Ambassador. Time to get your major confirmed and resume started
- Attend Career Services Theme Weeks
- Begin to develop your professional network

Junior Highlights

- Discover leadership opportunities through clubs and organizations
- Check out opportunities—Office of Leadership & Service Learning
- Visit Career Services Center to complete your resume, practice interviewing, learn about graduate school, and/or prepare your internship search action plan
- Attend Career Fairs and Employer Information Sessions
- Continue to build your professional network by speaking with faculty, employers, and alumni
- Complete a Course Overload Form in Student First Office if you need to register for more than 18 hours

Senior Year Highlights

- Meet with your faculty advisor to finalize your plans
- Apply for graduation via University Registrar - watch out for deadlines
- Take the “Senior Check Up” to see what skills or experiences you should make use of at Career Services
- Start applying to jobs and graduate programs
- Attend Career Fairs
- Network, network, network

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English

Sample Work Functions
Those who study this major generally direct their skills, experience, and knowledge towards the following career functional areas:
- Advertising
- Marketing
- Technical Writing
- Teacher
- International Relations
- Editor
- Lawyer
- Lobbyist
- Medicine

How to get there

Try on this major
There are several courses within the English department that any UNCG student can take as a way to "try on" the major and determine if it's a good fit for you. Talk with your advisor if you are interested in "trying on" this major.

ENG 211: (GEC:GLT)*
ENG 212: (GEC:GLT)*
ENG 251: (GEC:GLT)*
ENG 252: (GEC:GLT)*

*These courses fulfill degree requirements as outlined in the Undergraduate Bulletin.

When to take coursework
Students pursuing a degree in English are required to take several different General Education Core (GEC) and College Additional Requirements (CAR) courses during their freshman and sophomore years. To ensure that you stay on track to graduate, talk with your advisor about registering for the following courses:

ENG 101: College Writing (GEC:GRD) — first-term freshman year

The following courses are options for meeting major requirements. Talk with an advisor about which course(s) would be the best options for your academic plan.

ENG 211  ENG 212  ENG 251  ENG 252

ENG courses at the 200 level require that students have declared a major in English, completed at least 30 credit hours, or obtained special permission from the department in order to register for these courses. Please contact the English Department or the Students First Office if you have questions about these restrictions.

Sample Work Settings
Here is a sample of work settings (or work environments) that might interest someone with this educational background:
- Advertising
- Banking
- Business Corporations
- Universities & Colleges
- Editing/Copyright
- Consulting
- Magazines/News
- Healthcare
- Public Relations
- Foundations
- Federal & State Government
- K-12 Education
- Non Profit Organizations
- City/State Government

Special Interest Housing
Special interest housing communities are residential-based programs designed to enhance the overall undergraduate student experience by fostering one-on-one relationships between faculty, staff, and students in a close-knit residence hall environment. Students are encouraged to explore intellectual, cultural, and social interests through experiential activities often linked to the academic curriculum. Students learn with friends, while gaining real-world experience all where they live. Special interest housing options include:
- Lloyd International Honors College
- Living Learning Communities

Past Internship Sites
Note: this is a partial listing of where students have interned in the past. Internships are not guaranteed; work with your academic advisor and the Career Services Center to strategize your plans for an internship to complement your studies.
- Evan Guthrie Law Firm
- Maggie’s Crochet
- Target
- Select Staffing
- nike Magazine
- Ross Stores, Inc.

Sample Graduate Programs
Students graduating from this undergraduate program also look at continuing their education in these sample programs:
- Counseling
- Law School
- Medical School
- Speech and Hearing Programs
- Business Programs
- Literature and Technical Writing

Sample Salary Information
Salary information below represents median trends for sample job positions. Often, UNCG students may be interested in pursuing a second major or a minor to complement their major. If this is of interest to you, be sure to discuss it with your advisor early on. Some possible minors or majors to consider include:
- History
- Education
- Pre-Law
- Communication Studies

Organizations Where Our Alumni Have Gone
- Lucy Ragdale High School
- District Attorney’s Office in Greensboro
- Horizons Magazine
- College of Charleston
- WFMY News 2

Sample Minors/Double-Majors
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- History
- Education
- Pre-Law
- Communication Studies

GPA & Other Requirements
Once you declare an English major and select your academic concentration, you want to be sure you are aware of the various GPA and program requirements. Knowing these in advance will help you stay on track each semester and in planning out your long-term goals.

Concentration
English (BA)

GPA & Program Requirements
- A grade of C or higher must be earned for all major requirements courses.
- Minimum Major and cumulative GPA of 2.75
- Achieve minimum score on Praxis I, ACT, or SAT
- Completed Background Check

Application Procedures
Students must be admitted to Teacher Education program. Students may apply at the end of their sophomore year. More information can be found in the Secondary Teacher Education Handbook.

*This licensure program relies heavily on early and adequate advising. It is the student’s responsibility to meet as soon as possible with both his/her major advisor and the secondary education advisor in the School of Education Office of Student Services.