



This course plan is a recommended sequence for this major. Courses designated as critical (!) may have a deadline for completion and/or affect time to graduation. Please see the Program Notes section for details regarding “critical courses” for this particular Program of Study.

| Critical                                   | Course Subject and Title                                                            | Credit Hours | Min. Grade <sup>1</sup> | Major GPA <sup>2</sup> | Code             | Prerequisites           | Notes |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------|
| <b>Semester One (15-17 Credit Hours)</b>   |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
| !                                          | ENGL 101 Critical Reading and Composition                                           | 3            | C                       |                        | CC-CMW           |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core ARP Requirement                                                       | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC-ARP           |                         |       |
|                                            | Foreign language <sup>3</sup> or other Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>       | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC-GFL           |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>                                              | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |                         |       |
|                                            | UNIV 101 The Student in the University<br>or Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup> | 3            |                         |                        | PR/CC            |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Two (15-16 Credit Hours)</b>   |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
| !                                          | ENGL 102 Rhetoric and Composition                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | CC-CMW<br>CC-INF | C or better in ENGL 101 |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core ARP Requirement                                                       | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC-ARP           |                         |       |
|                                            | Foreign language <sup>3</sup> or other Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>       | 3            |                         |                        | CC-GFL           |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>                                              | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |                         |       |
|                                            | History <sup>5</sup>                                                                | 3            |                         |                        | CR               |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Three (15-16 Credit Hours)</b> |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | ENGL 287 American Literature                                                        | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               | ENGL 101 & 102          |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>                                              | 3-4          |                         |                        | CC               |                         |       |
|                                            | Foreign language <sup>3</sup> or Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>             | 3            |                         |                        | CR/CC            |                         |       |
|                                            | Social Science                                                                      | 3            |                         |                        | CR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Humanities or Fine Arts                                                             | 3            |                         |                        | CR               |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Four (15 Credit Hours)</b>     |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | ENGL 288 English Literature                                                         | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Cognate or Minor Course <sup>6</sup>                                                | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Cognate or Minor Course <sup>6</sup>                                                | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Humanities or Fine Arts                                                             | 3            |                         |                        | CR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup>                                              | 3            |                         |                        | CC               |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Five (15 Credit Hours)</b>     |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | Cognate or Minor Course <sup>6</sup>                                                | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Humanities or Fine Arts                                                             | 3            |                         |                        | CR               |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Six (15 Credit Hours)</b>      |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | Cognate or Minor Course <sup>6</sup>                                                | 3            | C                       |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup> or Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>            | 3            |                         |                        | CC/PR            |                         |       |
|                                            | Carolina Core Requirement <sup>4</sup> or Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>            | 3            |                         |                        | CC/PR            |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Seven (15 Credit Hours)</b>    |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | Minor Course <sup>6</sup> or Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>                         | 3            | C (minor)               |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>                                                      | 3            |                         |                        | PR               |                         |       |
| <b>Semester Eight (15 Credit Hours)</b>    |                                                                                     |              |                         |                        |                  |                         |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | English Major Course <sup>7</sup>                                                   | 3            | C                       |                        | MR               | See Bulletin listing.   |       |
|                                            | Minor Course <sup>6</sup> or Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>                         | 3            | C (minor)               |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Approved Elective <sup>8</sup>                                                      | 3            |                         |                        | PR               |                         |       |
|                                            | Approved Elective <sup>8</sup> (only if needed to meet hours to graduate)           | 3            |                         |                        | PR               |                         |       |

## Graduation Requirements Summary

| Minimum Total Hours | Minimum Major Requirements Hours | College & Program Requirements Hours | Carolina Core Hours | Minimum Institutional GPA |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 120                 | 30                               | 45-57                                | 32-44               | 2.000                     |

- Regardless of individual course grades, students must maintain a minimum 2.000 cumulative GPA.
  - Some colleges require a minimum GPA for major courses. Courses indicated in this column are included in the major GPA for this program of study.
  - Students in the College of Arts and Sciences are required to demonstrate proficiency in one foreign language equivalent to the 122 course through course credit or the corresponding foreign language placement score.
  - The [Carolina Core](#) provides the common core of knowledge, skill and academic experience for all Carolina undergraduate students.
  - The College of Arts and Sciences requires one U.S. History and one non-U.S. History course, both of which must be chosen from the approved Carolina Core GHS courses. Whichever is not fulfilled through the Carolina Core GHS requirement must be fulfilled through this college requirement.
  - The cognate is intended to support the course work in the major. The cognate must consist of twelve hours of courses at the advanced level, outside of, but related to the major. In place of a cognate, a student may choose a minor consisting of at least 18 credit hours of courses concentrated in one area that follow a structured sequence. A second major eliminates the minor/cognate requirement.
  - English Major courses, equaling 30 hours, must be comprised of the following:
    - Two courses (6 hours) in pre-1800 Literature;
    - Two courses (6 hours) in post-1800 Literature;
    - Six courses (18 hours) of writing requirements to include:
      - ENGL 360**
      - ENGL 387**
      - Three courses (9 hours) selected from Writing and Rhetoric and/or from Creative Writing.
        - Writing and Rhetoric:** **ENGL 460**-Advanced Writing; **ENGL 461**-The Teaching of Writing; **ENGL 462**-Technical Writing; **ENGL 463**-Business Writing; **ENGL 466**-Internship; **ENGL 467**-Topics in Rhetoric; **ENGL 468**-Digital Writing; **ENGL 470**-Rhetoric of Science and Technology; **ENGL 471**-Rhetoric and the Ancient Roots of Modern Life; **ENGL 472**-Rhetoric and Popular Culture; **ENGL 485**-Women's Rhetoric; **ENGL 486**-African American Rhetoric; **ENGL 494**-Advanced Professional Writing Workshop.
        - Creative Writing:** **ENGL 460**-Advanced Writing; **ENGL 464**-Poetry Workshop; **ENGL 465**-Fiction Workshop; **ENGL 469**-Creative Nonfiction; **ENGL 491**-Advanced Poetry Workshop; **ENGL 492**-Advanced Fiction Workshop; **ENGL 493**-Advanced Creative Non-Fiction.
      - One additional ENGL course numbered 300 or above
- No courses of a remedial, developmental, skill-acquiring, or vocational nature may apply as credit toward degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences. The College of Arts and Sciences allows the use of the Pass-Fail option on elective courses. Further clarification on inapplicable courses can be obtained from the College of Arts and Sciences.

### Program Notes:

- Courses identified as “critical” must be completed in the student’s first 60 semester hours of work in order for these courses to be credited toward graduation.
- The Departmental Undergraduate Research Track (B.A. with Distinction) is available to students majoring in English who wish to participate in a substantial research or creative project in collaboration with, or under the supervision of, a faculty mentor. Ideally, students who pursue this option would complete their theses by December of their final year of coursework. In addition to the English major requirements, a student must complete the following: 1) ENGL 499 or by taking ENGL 490, provided that the latter course includes a thesis requirement; 2) a minimum GPA of 3.50 in the major; 3) a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.30; 4) Submission of the distinction intent form (available in the undergraduate English office) to the undergraduate English office at the beginning of the semester in which you write your thesis; 5) a public presentation of the Senior Thesis (at an English Department Colloquium Series, USC Discovery Day, or professional conference or journal publication. Students who successfully complete these requirements will be awarded their degree with “Distinction in English” upon graduation.
- The last 30 credit hours toward your degree must be earned in residence at the University of South Carolina-Columbia.

**University Requirements:** Bachelor’s degree-seeking students must meet Carolina Core (general education) requirements. For more information regarding these requirements, please visit the [Carolina Core](#) page on the University website.

| Codes:        |                                                                                    |
|---------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>CC</b>     | Carolina Core                                                                      |
| <b>CC-AIU</b> | Carolina Core-Aesthetic and Interpretive Understanding                             |
| <b>CC-ARP</b> | Carolina Core-Analytical Reasoning and Problem-Solving                             |
| <b>CC-CMS</b> | Carolina Core-Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Spoken Component   |
| <b>CC-CMW</b> | Effective, Engaged, and Persuasive Communication: Written Component                |
| <b>CC-GFL</b> | Carolina Core-Global Citizenship and Multicultural Understanding: Foreign Language |
| <b>CC-GHS</b> | Carolina Core – Historical Thinking                                                |
| <b>CC-GSS</b> | Carolina Core – Social Sciences                                                    |
| <b>CC-INF</b> | Carolina Core – Information Literacy                                               |
| <b>CC-INT</b> | Carolina Core – Integrative Course                                                 |
| <b>CC-SCI</b> | Carolina Core – Scientific Literacy                                                |
| <b>CC-VSR</b> | Carolina Core – Values, Ethics, and Social Responsibility                          |
| <b>CR</b>     | College Requirement                                                                |
| <b>MR</b>     | Major Requirement                                                                  |
| <b>PR</b>     | Program Requirement                                                                |

Disclaimer: Major maps are only a suggested or recommended sequence of courses required in a program of study. Please contact your academic advisor for assistance in the application of specific coursework to a program of study and course selection and planning for upcoming semesters.