



# ENGLISH

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TO THE ENGLISH DEGREE



## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

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England Review*

“My time in the English department at  
Franklin Pierce prepared me to think  
critically about my own writing, applying  
the same critical lens to my work that I  
do to work by other authors. It’s made me  
a better editor, and that’s an incredibly  
valuable skill to have.”

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## ENGLISH

Franklin Pierce University  
College of Liberal Arts  
and Social Sciences

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

We all communicate meaning through words, whether spoken or written for the page or screen. As an English major, you’ll be prepared to read, analyze, write and edit texts about people grappling with the big questions of life – from relationships to religion to philosophy and beyond. By reading the great literature of the past and the newer voices of today, you’ll learn to communicate in a variety of styles and media. You’ll develop perspective and empathy, and be prepared to think, analyze and communicate in any field you choose to enter.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

You will acquire skills in critical thinking and problem solving, knowledge of literary genres and styles, language and interpretation. You will develop research and presentation skills as well as the ability to express yourself clearly in writing.

All English majors produce an electronic portfolio that demonstrates their achievement and preparation for graduate study and career fields. Students have pursued advanced study in English, creative writing, education, health administration, library science, business and law.



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## COURSES

EN115	Banned Books
EN117	Buddies, Bullies, and Bodies: Young Adult Literature
EN203	Introduction to British Literature
EN204	Introduction to American Literature
EN209	Introduction to Creative Nonfiction
EN210	Introduction to Literary Studies
EN215	Slavery: Literature and Legacy
EN220	Introduction to Creative Writing
EN251	Us vs. Them: Introduction to Law and Literature
EN270	Women Writers
EN232	The Teaching of Writing
EN235	Fiction Workshop
EN237	Poetry Workshop
EN241	Editing and Publishing
EN303	Epic and Romance
EN304	Chaucer
EN313	Shakespeare
EN321	English Romanticism and Its Legacy
EN335	Modern and Contemporary British Literature
EN342	American Novel to 1900
EN343	American Short Story
EN347	Rise of the Novel
EN354	American Poetry
EN355	Modern and Contemporary American Fiction
EN417	Advanced Fiction Workshop
EN421	Advanced Poetry Workshop
EN422	Writing for Publication

## ELECTIVES

Multicultural Literature; Banned Books  
Buddies, Bullies, and Bodies: Young Adult Literature  
Women Writers  
Law & Literature  
How to Write a Blog  
Shakespeare  
Fiction Workshop

## WHO SHOULD MAJOR IN ENGLISH?

You'll find this major a good fit if you have or want to develop:

- Passion for storytelling and literature of past and present
- Curiosity about people of different times and places
- Creativity and independent thinking and strong reading, writing and research skills
- Understanding of the significance of empathy
- Ability to adapt communications to teach and influence different audiences

## WHERE CAN MY MAJOR LEAD ME?

With your degree, you can pursue jobs or further education for careers as diverse as:

Biographer	Novelist
College Professor	Press Secretary
Editor	Publisher
English Teacher	Public Relations Specialist
Journalist	Radio/TV Newscaster
Literary Agent	Speechwriter

## STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS

You can gain valuable experience through opportunities at Franklin Pierce to:

- Volunteer in the Wensberg Writing Center
- Serve on the editorial board of the *Northern New England Review*
- Submit your writing to *Nevermore*, the Franklin Pierce student literary magazine
- Participate in Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society and its annual conference
- Obtain state certification for public school teaching
- Join campus clubs devoted to the arts or Pierce Media Group
- Develop skills in graphics, web design and online media
- Compete for fiction, poetry and creative nonfiction prizes

**Ask about the English 3+1 accelerated track!**