



**WASHINGTON
& JEFFERSON
COLLEGE**

English

The English program aims to **inspire students in the pursuit of their intellectual and professional passions** through the teaching of literature, literary history, and creative and professional writing. Through encounters with **diverse literatures and literary traditions**, and through practice in **deep reading, critical interpretation, and rigorous research**, students learn to contribute meaningfully to a complex and changing world.

Major Requirements

Two survey courses chosen from the following:

- Gender and Sexuality in Literature
- World Literature
- British Literature 1
- British Literature 2
- Contesting Britishness: WWI to Brexit
- American Literature 1
- American Literature 2
- African American Literature
- Asian American Literature

One course on pre-1850 literature, chosen from:

- Shakespeare for Everyone
- British Literature 1
- British Literature 2
- American Literature 1
- Early English Literature
- Renaissance Literature
- Shakespeare
- The Long Eighteenth Century

Four 300-level English courses

ENG 400 Capstone Seminar

Three additional English courses, including one numbered 200 or higher

Minors

- English
- Creative Writing
- Professional Writing

Major Emphases

- Creative Writing

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Beyond the Classroom

Our students **engage personally with distinguished scholars, journalists, fiction writers, and poets** through **visits sponsored by the Maxwell Lecture Series, the Branton Lecture Series, the Visiting Writers Series, and the Enid Parker Keen Poetry Fund.**

Upon graduation, our students have achieved success in education, law, journalism, marketing, social media strategy, technology, medicine, entertainment, healthcare, and management.

Alumni Stories

- Hannah Lindsay '22, Marketing Specialist, Aramark Facilities Management
- Molly Kilbourne '21, Senior Account Director, JUV Consulting
- Marygrace Depp '20, Business Associate, 3-D Matrix North America
- Jake Harrison '18, Attorney-Advisor, Air Force Civilian Service
- Ingrid Lexova '18, Economics, Markets, and Trade Reporter, S&P Global Market Intelligence
- Edward Nogay '14, Government Investigations and White Collar Litigation Associate, Troutman Pepper
- Alexandra Sossi '13, Manager, University Talent, KPMG
- April Knopp Whitton '09, School Library Specialist, Village View Elementary School
- Ed Simon '06, Executive Director, Belt Media Collaborative and Editor-in-Chief, Belt Magazine

Recent Alumni Publications

- Anna V. Blake (with Melissa Unger), [Capturing Creativity](#)
- Adia Muhammad, "The Other One," [Oakland Arts Review](#)
- Jacqueline Mannina, [A Kid's Book for Covid-19: Cooking Pizza in Quarantine](#)
- Alexa Terrell, "Whiteout," Glass Mountain; "Teeth" and "Somebody Who Doesn't Love You Back," [1932 Quarterly](#)



Program Website

washjeff.edu/english



Departmental award winners
from the Class of 2022



Some of the 2023
departmental award winners