CHECKLIST FOR COMPLETING THE ENGLISH MAJOR

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PART ONE: CRITICAL SKILLS 3 credits

_____ LIT 260 Introduction to Literary Study
Prerequisites: English 201 and one General Education Literature course

PART TWO: HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES 12 credits
select four

_____ LIT 370 Topics in Ancient Literature
_____ LIT 371 Topics in Medieval Literature
_____ LIT 372 Topics in Early Modern Literature
_____ LIT 373 Topics in 17th and 18th Century Literature
_____ LIT 374 Topics in 19th Century Literature
_____ LIT 375 Topics in 20th Century Literature
Prerequisite: one Gen Ed Lit. course; Co-requisite: LIT 260 Introduction to Literary Study

PART THREE: CRITICAL METHODS 3 credits

_____ LIT 300 Text and Context
Prerequisites: LIT 260 Introduction to Literary Study

PART FOUR: LITERATURE AND THE LAW 3 credits

_____ LIT 305 Foundations in Literature and the Law
Pre-requisite: LIT 260 Introduction to Literary Study
PART FIVE: ELECTIVES  
Select four  

1. _______________________________ 2. _______________________________

3. _______________________________ 4. _______________________________

Electives are LIT courses that are not core requirements. However, they can include up to two ENG courses above 201 or up to two ISP courses approved by the English Department as LIT equivalents.

For those concentrating in Literature and the Law, at least two of the electives must be in courses designated as Literature and Law courses. For those concentrating in Literature, at least two of the electives must be in courses designated as Literature.

Prerequisite for Literature Electives: Literature 260 Introduction to Literary Study and/or as specified in college bulletin; students in the major are advised to take Literature 300 Text and Context before the second semester of their junior year or its equivalent.

Prerequisite for Literature and the Law Electives: Literature 260: Introduction to Literary Study and/or as specified in college bulletin; students pursuing the Literature and the Law concentration in the major are advised to take Literature 300 Text and Context and Literature 305 Foundations in Literature and the Law before completing their junior year or its equivalent.

PART SIX: MAJOR SEMINAR  
3 credits

____ LIT 400 Literature Seminar or
____ LIT 405 Literature and the Law Seminar

These courses require senior standing or permission of the major advisor. Students declaring the concentration in Literature and the Law must take the Literature and the Law Seminar. Students may opt to take a second senior seminar as an elective.

Total Credits: 36

HONORS:  
39 credits

To receive Honors in Literature, a student must take both the Literature Seminar and an Independent Study that includes a research project, maintaining a GPA of 3.5 within the major. To receive Honors in Literature and the Law, a student must take both the Literature and the Law Seminar and an Independent Study that includes a research project, maintaining a GPA of 3.5 within the major.