

ENGLISH MINOR

Description: The English minor offers students the opportunity to read, appreciate and analyze literature, advance their critical thinking skills, and polish their **creative and non-fiction writing**.

Rationale: The study of literature and the practice of **creative and non-fiction** writing strengthen important skills while engaging students in significant historical, ethical and aesthetic debates. Students who study literature learn to read critically, form interpretations and make arguments based on evidence. Students who study writing will learn to express themselves clearly, concisely and creatively while also perfecting their editing and revision skills. Students who pursue the minor in English will graduate with a **strong** command of language and with incisive critical skills that will serve them well in their chosen career or post-graduate work.

****Requirements:** To receive a minor in English a student must complete 18 credits—six classes—with at least 3 credits (1 class) at or above the 300-level. Students may apply the 6 credits earned in the general education literature requirement (LIT 230, LIT 231, LIT 232, LIT 233) **toward the minor**; they may not apply ENG 101 or ENG 102/201.

Every student must take LIT 260 (Introduction to Literary Study) to earn the minor in English.

****YOU SHOULD ALWAYS REFER TO THE JOHN JAY COLLEGE BULLETIN FOR A DESCRIPTION OF MINOR REQUIREMENTS.**

CORE REQUIREMENT 3 credits

LIT 260 Introduction to Literary Study

ELECTIVES 15 credits

- Students may select any five courses in Literature (LIT) and English (ENG) except ENG 101 or ENG 102/201.
 - Students should consult Chapter 2 of the Undergraduate Bulletin for current offerings in Literature (LIT) and English (ENG).
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To become an English minor, students should simply proceed to take the necessary 18 credits. During the semester in which they will complete the final course needed for the minor, students should fill out a declaration of minor form, available at One Stop, have the minor advisor or the department chair sign the form, then submit it in person to the registrar.

Students who began at John Jay prior to Fall 2007 have the option of completing the old English minor. The old English minor requires: Any six courses in ENG and/or LIT, except ENG 101 and ENG 102/201, three of which must be at or above the 300-level. LIT 260 is not required, but students must have a B average in all ENG or LIT courses taken toward the minor.

Minor Worksheet:

You may use the space below to keep track of your course selections for the English minor.

COURSE & NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	SEMESTER COMPLETED	CREDITS
LIT 260	Introduction to Literary Study (Core Requirement)		3 credits
			3 credits

TOTAL CREDITS: 18