

# English Language and Literature

English majors are critical and imaginative thinkers who learn to conduct research; write with accuracy, concision and clarity; and acquire a deep understanding of the world. Opportunities abound for their communication skills in today's job market.



“One of my professors told me to dream big because I had the potential to be an amazing writer. I love how personal UMKC feels. We're in a big city, but it has the vibe of a small school.”

Danielle Slauter, English and Creative Writing

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**UMKC is a public, urban university focused on student success, research and community service. The opportunities are endless.**

## AT HOME IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City has a vibrant community of writers, publishers and thinkers, theaters, art museums and archive and research libraries, making it an ideal place for English students. UMKC students often intern at Hallmark, The Kansas City Star and Andrews McMeel Publishing. Graduates are employed at Cerner Corporation, Children's Mercy Hospital, Johnson County Community College, T-Mobile and more.



## DEGREE OPTIONS

- » Bachelor of Arts, English  
*Students may choose an emphasis in Creative Writing; Language and Rhetoric; American Literacy and Cultural Studies; or Classical, Medieval and Early Modern Literature.*

## MINOR OPTIONS

- » Creative Writing
- » Literature
- » Manuscript, Print Culture and Editing
- » Writing

## GRADUATE DEGREE OPTIONS

- » Master of Arts, English
- » Master of Fine Arts, Creative Writing and Media Arts
- » Interdisciplinary Ph.D., English

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- » Writer: Copywriter, creative, grant, freelance, technical, speech
- » Analyst
- » Designer
- » Editor/reporter/publisher
- » Entrepreneur
- » Executive director
- » Higher education professional
- » Information technology
- » Lawyer
- » Library science
- » Marketing manager
- » Nonprofit administrator
- » Novelist/poet
- » Professor/teacher
- » Project manager
- » Public relations director
- » Website developer

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## ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

The UMKC English Department offers courses in literature, creative writing, linguistics, editing and publishing and rhetoric. The department's faculty have been named Fulbright, Guggenheim Foundation and National Endowment of the Arts fellows. The department is home to the award-winning literary journal *New Letters* and the book publisher BKMk Press.

- » Students can earn credit through editorial internships on campus at *New Letters* and *The Eighteenth Century: Theory and Interpretation*, an academic journal. More opportunities include *New Letters on the Air*, *American Education History Journal* and the UMKC Women's Center.
- » Students publish creative and scholarly work, organize student conferences, conduct research, and present at regional, national and international conferences and events.

- » Alumni have earned fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Fulbright program and have published and produced works of academic scholarship, poetry, fiction, nonfiction, screenplays and film.

## GET INVOLVED

Opportunities include:

- » *Number One Magazine*, which publishes student work including, but not limited to, fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, one-act plays, screenplays, visual art and photography
- » *The Sosland Journal*, which exhibits exemplary writing from composition courses and universitywide writing intensive courses
- » Sigma Tau Delta, the UMKC chapter of the International English Honors society.

## STUDY ABROAD

English majors often study abroad at London's Kingston University, Scotland's University of Stirling and many others. UMKC offers hundreds of programs in more than 50 countries, including semester- and year-long options. Learn more at [umkc.edu/international](http://umkc.edu/international).

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