# Bachelor of Arts in English

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

Prospective students often ask how long the **Bachelor of Arts in English** takes to complete, what the program costs and if financial aid is available, and if the degree is awarded through USC Upstate.

You can find answers to these questions below.

- Completion time varies based on accumulated credits in general education and other courses required for the major. The degree requires 120 credit hours. It is up to the student and advisor to decide the appropriate number of hours to take each semester.
- Students are eligible to receive applicable federal and state financial aid assistance. Current fees and tuition rates can be viewed at www.palmettocollege. sc.edu.
- The degree is awarded by the University of South Carolina Upstate and meets the same rigorous standards and accreditation as any traditional degree from UofSC.

### **Prepare for Your Future**

USC Upstate's Bachelor of Arts in English is designed to help students develop strong skills in critical thinking, analysis, empathy, cultural competence, leadership, written communication, research and reading—skills that are essential in a range of careers.

The English curriculum exposes students to the full breadth of English studies —from linguistics to creative writing, from Shakespeare to digital media and film.

# Why should I complete a bachelor's degree in English?

Through a bachelor's degree in English graduates are prepared for careers in law, professional, technical, and creative writing, editing, publishing, library and archival science, informatics and data analytics, digital media and Web development, researching, business and community administration, intelligence and military analysis, public relations and marketing, the film and popular culture industry, as well as teaching English both in the U.S. and abroad.

# Why should I complete a degree online from USC Upstate through Palmetto College?

USC Upstate is the #1 ranked public baccalaureate university in South Carolina and the South's best college for veterans. As a Palmetto College student, you'll have access to USC Upstate's academic resources and enjoy a flexible schedule without having to relocate. And best of all, when you're finished with the program, you'll graduate with a degree from a top-notch, nationally recognized university.

#### **For More Information**

## **USC Palmetto College Enrollment Services**

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English students develop skills in critical thinking, analysis, communication, writing and research that serve them well in a variety of career fields from business, government and non-profit to higher education, law and publishing.



Our English graduates become expert readers, critical thinkers, and analyzers of a range of literary, cultural, historical, digital, visual, and media texts.

### **Prerequisites and Requirements**

# To apply for this online degree program, students must have:

- At least 30 credit hours from a regionally accredited institution
- Preferred 2.5 cumulative GPA in all previous college-level coursework
- Students transferring credits into the program are encouraged to have completed the following courses:
  - Composition (Two semesters)
  - College Math
  - Public Speaking or Interpersonal Communication
  - Natural Sciences with a lab
  - Natural Sciences with or without a lab
  - Fine Arts
  - American History or American Government
  - Social or Behavioral Science
  - Two courses in world language, or placement above the introductory level

#### Curriculum

Through our English degree program, students can choose their own path through advanced courses in literature and film, creative and professional writing, English for speakers of other languages, or a combination of these areas.

# The curriculum includes coursework in the following disciplines:

- Literature 9 credit hours
- Writing 6 credit hours
- Cultural Difference and Diversity 3 credit hours
- Specialized Advanced Coursework 21 credit hours