Please Note

• This is not the English major that prepares you to obtain the Single Subject Teaching Credential in English. Students intending to teach middle school or high school should complete the “English Major in Preparation for the Single Subject Teaching Credential in English Language Arts.” Students interested in the Single Subject Teaching Credential in English should visit the Office of Student Services for the School of Teacher Education (EBA 259) for information about the credential program.

• All candidates for a degree in English must complete the graduation requirements listed in the General Catalog for the year they declared the major. No more than 54 units in English, Comparative Literature, or Rhetoric and Writing Studies courses can apply to the degree without a petition.

• The major in English is designated as an impacted program. New students will be accepted into the program as “pre-majors” until they fulfill the criteria listed on the “Pre-Major” checksheet. Once completed, students should see the undergraduate adviser to change their major to English. To complete the major, students must fulfill the degree requirements for the major described in the catalog in effect at the time they are accepted into the pre-major at SDSU (assuming continuous enrollment).

• A minimum of 33 upper-division units must be completed for the English major.

• All Liberal Arts and Sciences degrees require three semesters of one foreign language or the equivalent (see the General Catalog).

• A minor is not required for a major in English.

• Courses numbered 300 and 400, unless specifically listed below, may not be used to satisfy major requirements. These may be used as major electives only.

• English majors must take the writing proficiency assessment AND English 508W.

English Major Honors

The English Honors program offers excellent students a variation of the major designed to engage them in work commensurate with their abilities. Honors students in the standard English major will take six (6) units of electives (rather than the three units standard English majors take) in upper division courses appropriate for their field of interest. Honors students must maintain an A- grade point average and successfully complete an Honors Thesis (ENGL 498 [if offered] or ENGL 499). The Honors variation of the major consists of 39 upper-division units; the standard major consists of 33 upper division units.

Generally, students will apply to this program in their junior year after they have completed at least nine (9) units of lower-division preparation for the major and nine (9) units of upper-division major requirements with a 3.7 major GPA and 3.5 overall GPA.

Successful completion of the English honors program will be recognized at graduation.

For information on the English Honors program, please see the undergraduate adviser.
**Preparation for the Major - 15 units (five courses)**
*(may be combined with general education)*

Courses in preparation for the major must be completed with a minimum GPA of 2.50 and a grade of C or higher and with a cumulative GPA of 2.40 or higher.

Students in pre-major status are **NOT** allowed to enroll in 500 level courses and upon completion of pre-major requirements, students must meet with the undergraduate adviser to change their status from Pre-Major to Major.

- **RWS 200 College Composition (GE)** (3)
- **ONE of the following:**
  - English 220 (GE), 280, 281, Comp. Lit. 270A (GE), 270B (GE) (3)
- **ONE of the following:**
  - English 250A, 250B (3)
- **BOTH of the following:**
  - English 260A and 260B (6)

**TOTAL: 15**

---

**Major - 33 units (eleven courses)**

Lower-division units in English combined with upper-division units in English (in addition to units in Comparative Literature) must **not** exceed 54 units altogether.

Consult with the English & Comparative Literature Honors Program adviser for English Major Honors Program variation.

**Module A**
Course in Module A are oriented towards exploring aspects of the development of the English and American literary traditions over time.

**FOUR courses selected from the following:**
English 510A, 510B, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 527, 528, 530, 533, 534, 536, 537, 540A, 540B, 541A, 541B, 542, 543, 544. **Must include at least one of the following:** English 510A, 521, 522, 530, 533, 534, 536, 537, 540A, 541A, or 542

**Module B**
Courses in Module B are oriented towards using literary and cultural studies to engage with a diversity of human societies, viewpoints, and experiences.

**FOUR courses selected from the following:**
English 405, 501, 502, 503, 519, 520, 526, 549, 550, 563, Comparative Literature 440, 445, 451, 470, 513, 514, 530, 561, 562, 570, 577, 580, 594, 595, 596. **Must include at least one course in Comparative Literature.**

**Module C**
Courses in Module C develop student capacity in scholarly writing, creative writing, editing, publishing, and digital literary content.

**English 508W and ONE course selected from the following:**
English 570, 571, 573, 576A, 576B, 577, 579, 580, 581W, 584W.

**Module D**
**ONE English or Comparative Literature upper division elective (300-, 400-, or 500- level) to complete 33 upper-division units.**

**TOTAL: 33**