

ENGLISH (HBA)

Department of English & Drama

Choose a major in English at UTM and you'll be taught by internationally renowned critics, creative writers, and scholars. You'll get a grounding in some of the most famous works ever written in English - from Shakespeare's *Tempest* to Toni Morrison's *Beloved*. You'll also encounter the new and the unexpected; UTM English offers courses about video games, contemporary Indigenous writers, and medieval world literatures. A degree in English will give you exceptional skills as a writer, researcher, critical thinker and communicator, which will open up a wide range of careers. Many English graduates end up as lawyers, professional writers, and teachers, but they also become fashion entrepreneurs, investment advisors, lab technicians, and even . . . Prime Minister (Justin Trudeau? He has a BA in Literature). UTM English students are especially well-positioned for admission to advanced degrees in the Humanities, Law, Medicine, and Business, and by combining a major in a Science or Social Science with one in English you'll give yourself an edge in any field.

MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME AT UTM!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we've pulled together information and interesting suggestions to get you started. As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are mentioned. In fact, activities such as joining an academic society, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study at UTM. Read through the chart and create your own plan using **My Program Plan** found at www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans

Programs of Study (POSt)

- Specialist Program ERSPE1645 English (Arts)
- Major Program ERMAJ1645 English (Arts)
- Minor Program ERMIN1645 English (Arts)

Check out...

Dig into the uncensored richness and range of Chaucer's works that have delighted wide audiences for over 600 years in ENG300Y5. How are digital technologies transforming texts? Find out in ENG381H5! You'll study digital texts such as fanfiction, viral Tumblr posts and tweets and video games.

What can I do with my degree?

The career you choose will depend on your experience and interests. Visit the Career Centre to explore your career options.

Careers for Graduates: Public relations; Publisher; Advertising copywriter; Editor; Writer/author; Critic; Film, television, or journalism broadcaster; Lawyer; Policy analyst; Lobbyist; Teacher; Librarian; Technical Writer; Social media manager.

Workplaces: Government; Publishing; Human resources; Market research; Public relations and advertising; Education; Libraries; Technology; Creative.



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MAJOR Program Plan

HOW TO USE THIS PROGRAM PLAN

Read through each year. Investigate what appeals to you here and in any other Program Plans that apply to you.

Visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/program-plans to create your own plan using [My Program Plan](#). Update your plan yearly.



	1 ST YEAR	2 ND YEAR
PLAN YOUR ACADEMICS*	<p>Lay foundations for your Major by taking ENG101H5 or ENG110Y5 or ENG140Y5. Visit the English and Drama Undergraduate Advisor to learn about the Major “Groups”.</p> <p>Choose a program of study (Subject POST) once you complete 4.0 credits. Use the Degree Explorer Planner and the Academic Calendar to plan your degree.</p> <p>Start strong and get informed with utmONE and LAUNCH through the Office of Student Transition. Join a RGASC Peer Facilitated Study Group.</p>	<p>Start to develop a focus to your Major, by taking courses in one area. By the end of your degree you need 0.5 credits from Group 1; 1.0 credits from Groups 2, 3 and 5, and 2.0 credits from Group 4. View the Academic Calendar for course options.</p> <p>Throughout your undergraduate degree:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use the Degree Explorer to ensure you complete your degree and program requirements. see the Office of the Registrar and the English and Drama Undergraduate Advisor.
BUILD SKILLS	<p>Use the Co-Curricular Record (CCR). Search for opportunities beyond the classroom, and keep track of your accomplishments.</p> <p>Attend the Get Experience Fair through the Career Centre (CC) to learn about on- and off-campus opportunities.</p>	<p>Use the Career Learning Network (CLN) to find postings for on- and off-campus work and volunteer opportunities.</p> <p>Work on-campus through the Work-Study program. View position descriptions on the CLN.</p>
BUILD A NETWORK	<p>First year is a great time to network by meeting new people. Start by joining the English and Drama Student Society (EDSS). Follow them @utm.edss. Attend a department pizza lunch and find out about the English Major!</p> <p>Visit the UTM Library Reference Desk.</p>	<p>Do you have a professor you really like or connect with? Ask them a question during office hours. Discuss an assignment. Go over lecture material. Don't be shy! Learn Tips On How to Approach a Professor available through the Experiential Education Office (EEO).</p>
BUILD A GLOBAL MINDSET	<p>Attend events held by the International Education Centre (IEC) to explore different cultures through food, music, and sport or through sight-seeing around the GTA.</p>	<p>Embark on a UTM Abroad Co-Curricular Experience through the IEC. Take advantage of this opportunity to travel with a faculty member and learn about a topic of interest in a unique location.</p> <p>Prefer traveling in Canada? Check out the IEC's UTM Across Canada program.</p>
PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE	<p>Attend the Program Selection & Career Options workshop offered by the Office of the Registrar and the CC.</p> <p>Check out Careers by Major at the CC to see potential career options.</p>	<p>Explore careers through the CC's Extern Job Shadowing Program.</p> <p>Considering further education? Attend the CC's Graduate and Professional Schools Fair. Talk to professors – they are potential mentors and references.</p>

*Consult the Academic Calendar for greater detail on course requirements, program notes and degree requirements.

3 RD YEAR	4 TH OR FINAL YEAR
<p>Attain 2.0 credits at the 3.0+ level. View the Academic Calendar for course options.</p> <p>Consider applying for the Research Opportunity Program (ROP) course ENG399Y. Visit the Experiential Education Office website for ROP Course Prerequisites. Attend the RGASC's Program for Accessing Research Training (P.A.R.T.) to enhance your research skills.</p>	<p>Take a research-driven seminar, or try some courses you missed along the way, e.g. ENG276H5 Fanfiction or ENG140 Contemporary World Literatures. Check that you have met all the requirements for a Major: the English and Drama Undergraduate Advisor can help!</p> <p>Log on to ACORN and request graduation.</p>
<p>Explore your interests. Interested in creative writing? Enrol in ENG389Y5 or ENG391Y5 to embark on a creative writing project under the supervision of a faculty member. Speak to the English and Drama Undergraduate Advisor for advice and details.</p>	<p>Gain experience in the field of print and online news. Write for The Medium — the source of news for UTM students.</p>
<p>Establish a professional presence on social media (e.g., LinkedIn).</p> <p>Get published in English and Drama department's student journal With Caffeine and Careful Thought or volunteer as an editor or reviewer for UofT's IDIOM: English Undergraduate Academic Journal.</p>	<p>Join a professional association. Check out the Association for Canadian and Québec Literatures or the Professional Writers Association of Canada Toronto Chapter.</p> <p>Go to a conference such as the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences.</p>
<p>Earn credits overseas! Study for a summer, term or year at one of 120 universities. The English and Drama department has identified 6 partners who are most relevant to their students. Speak to the IEC for details about Course Based Exchange and funding.</p>	<p>Why not work abroad? Read up on worldwide employment trends and industry outlooks through GoInGlobal. Attend the Go Global Expo. See if you are eligible for International Experience Canada.</p>
<p>What's your next step after undergrad?</p> <p>Entering the workforce? Evaluate your career options through a CC Career Counselling appointment. Create a job search strategy — book a CC Employment Strategies appointment.</p> <p>Considering further education? Research application requirements, prepare for admission tests (LSAT, GMAT) and research funding options (OGS, SSHRC).</p>	<p>Market your skills to employers. Get your resume critiqued at the CC. Attend the CC workshop Now That I'm Graduating What's Next?</p> <p>Write a strong application for further education. Attend the CC's Mastering the Personal Statement workshop.</p>

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Skills developed in English

From writing to critical thinking, from research to creative work, an English program will give you the tools you need for success beyond the classroom. As a student in English you will develop skills valued by employers, including the ability to:

- think critically
- conduct research and digest new information
- communicate clearly
- solve complex problems, creatively
- engage different opinions and viewpoints

Get involved

Check out student organizations on campus. Here are a few:

- English and Drama Student Society (EDSS)
- UTM Student Union (UTMSU)
- UTM Athletics Council (UTMAC)

For a listing of clubs on campus visit www.utm.utoronto.ca/clubs.

Services that support you

- AccessAbility Services (AS)
- Career Centre (CC)
- Centre for Student Engagement (CSE)
- Experiential Education Office (EEO)
- Health & Counselling Centre (HCC)
- Indigenous Centre (IC)
- International Education Centre (IEC)
- Office of Student Transition (OST)
- Office of the Registrar (OR)
- Recreation, Athletics and Wellness Centre (RAWC)
- Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre (RGASC)
- UTM Library, Hazel McCallion Academic Learning Centre (HMALC)

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FUTURE STUDENTS

Admission to UTM

All program areas require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma, or equivalent, with six Grade 12 U/M courses, or equivalent, including English. The admission average is calculated with English plus the next best five courses. The approx. average required for admission is mid- to high-70s. More information is available at utm.utoronto.ca/viewbook.

NOTE: During the application process, applicants will select the Humanities admissions category, but will not officially be admitted to a formal program of study (Specialist, Major, and/or Minor) until after first year.

Sneak Peek

Mississauga and Toronto are among the world's most diverse and multicultural cities. Explore issues such as diasporas, identity, nationality, place, origin, and the multicultural experience of GTA writers in ENG271H5. How did people fall in love in the Renaissance? Find out in ENG301H5

Perceptive and attentive reading and clear and persuasive writing are key to the craft of literary criticism. Our programs are designed to make students better critics; but these skills are equally crucial in all areas of research, business, and professional activity, and are therefore of lasting value both within and beyond the university.

Student Recruitment & Admissions

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