

English

MAJOR, MINOR, EXTENDED MINOR, HONOURS, AND EXTENDED STUDIES

Why study English?

Do you love to read and enjoy writing?
Would you like to explore the rich tradition of English literature, from Chaucer up to contemporary fiction? Do you wish that your love of words and language could help you find a challenging and satisfying career?
If so, studying English at UFV is for you.

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The study of English can provide many benefits. Today's professionals must be able to understand, interpret, and respond effectively to a rapidly changing world. Graduates in English acquire this vital background through the program's emphasis on communication skills, interpretive skills, critical thinking, and cultural awareness.

WHY EARN AN ENGLISH DEGREE AT UFV?

Our graduates have gone on to successful professional and academic careers in Canada and throughout the world. Our program's emphasis on cultural literacy ensures that as a graduate you will be ready to take on leadership roles in today's increasingly complex, technologically driven, and internationally linked society. Our graduates are able to understand and influence cultural change.



“The class sizes were small and we could talk to our professors on a one-on-one basis. We were encouraged to develop our own opinions and way of thinking. I think that’s something special about the UFV experience.”

— LAIRD MUNRO,
BA '98, Director of Vacations,
WestJet.

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“If it were not for my English degree I wouldn’t have been able to take on the responsibility of this job, but more importantly, without my very positive experience in the UFV writing centre, as both a student and a volunteer, I would never have considered a job editing.”

— TERRY-LYNN STONE,
BA in English '98, editor-in-chief for Alive Publishing Group.

WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO ME?

UFV’s English department offers a wide variety of options as part of the Bachelor of Arts degree, including:

- English honours
- English major
- English minor
- English extended minor
- Extended studies certificate programs

You may also take English courses for general interest or as electives for other programs.

ONCE I EARN MY ENGLISH DEGREE, WHAT ARE MY CAREER OPTIONS?

The Conference Board of Canada’s Council on Education, with input from 25 of Canada’s leading corporations, has identified essential skills for contemporary workers. It has found that employers want people who can communicate, think critically, and continue to learn throughout their lives.

Employers are looking for people with “flexible talents, good analytical and problem-solving abilities, interpersonal and broad technical skills.”

The Canadian Occupational Projection Survey (COPS) reports that English graduates generally find work as elementary or secondary school teachers (30 per cent), as financial and sales managers (22 per cent), and administrators in government and various service industries, including printing and publishing, real estate, and financial services (25 per cent). The remainder find work in clerical (17 per cent) or in artistic and literary fields (six per cent).

UFV’s English program is also excellent preparation for graduate school, UFV’s Teacher Education program, and the Teaching English as a Second Language (TESL) certificate.

ANYTHING ELSE I SHOULD KNOW?

We offer a wide range of first- to fourth-year courses in the major historical periods of English, Canadian, American, and world literature. We also offer advanced courses in cultural studies, genre theory, composition, rhetoric, creative writing, linguistics, English language, and literary theory.

Teaching is our priority at UFV. Our smaller class sizes ensure a lower student-to-instructor ratio than classes at many larger institutions. At the same time, our faculty members are actively engaged in research that continually improves their teaching and exposes students to the most recent scholarship.

CAN I GET ACADEMIC CREDIT FOR THE SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE GAINED IN MY LIFE SO FAR?

Yes. UFV offers Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition (PLAR), a flexible assessment process that evaluates your experiential learning (what you already know and can do) for post-secondary credit. Experiential learning includes independent study, volunteer activities, non-credit courses, workplace learning, and military service. To find out more, check out the PLAR website at www.ufv.ca/plar or contact Susan Brown, Assessment Services Coordinator, PLAR at 604-851-6342 or susan.brown@ufv.ca.

WHAT PROGRAM OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

ENGLISH MAJOR

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 18 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 108, 109, 111, 115, 120, 130, 150, 165, 170
- Six credits from ENGL 204 to 207
- Six credits from ENGL 209 to 280

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 32 CREDITS

- Eight credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 316, 318, 319
- Eight credits from ENGL 323–363, 368, 369
- 16 credits from ENGL 301–490 series

MAJOR, DRAMA CONCENTRATION

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 18 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 108, 109, 111, 115, 120, 130, 150, 170, THEA 101
- Nine credits from ENGL 204–280 series
- Three credits from ENGL 230, THEA 201, THEA 202

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 32 CREDITS

- Eight credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 316, 318, 319
- 12 credits from ENGL 310, 312, 361, 368, THEA 305, 311, 352, 353, 359, 360, 370, 401, 450, 451
- 12 credits from English 301–490

MAJOR, WRITING AND RHETORIC CONCENTRATION

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 18 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 108, 109, 111, 115, 120, 130, 150, 165, 170
- Six credits from ENGL 204–280 series
- Six credits from ENGL 209, 210, 214

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 32 CREDITS

- Eight credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 316, 318, 319
- 16 credits from ENGL 370, 371, 372, 374, 375, 376, 379
- Eight credits from ENGL 301–490 series

HONOURS ENGLISH

Entry is restricted to English major students with a CGPA of 3.5 or higher, calculated on a minimum of 60 credits applicable to the BA. At least 12 credits must be taken at UFV. Honours English is recommended for students who intend to pursue studies at the MA or PhD level.

Students must also demonstrate proficiency in another language (see calendar for details).

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 18 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 108, 109, 111, 115, 120, 130, 150, 165, 170
- Six credits from ENGL 204–207
- Six credits from ENGL 209–280 series

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 44 CREDITS

- Eight credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 316, 318, 319
- Eight credits from ENGL 323, 363, 368, 369, 490
- 12 credits from ENGL 301–363, 380–384
- Four credits from ENGL 364, 366
- Four credits from ENGL 370, 375, 376, 379
- Eight credits from ENGL 491, 492

ENGLISH EXTENDED MINOR

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 18 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 108, 109, 111, 115, 120, 130, 150, 165, 170
- Six credits from ENGL 204–207
- Six credits from ENGL 209–280

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 16 CREDITS

- Four credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 316, 318, 319
- 12 credits from ENGL 301–490 series

ENGLISH MINOR

LOWER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 12 CREDITS

- ENGL 105
- Three credits from ENGL 104, 109, 111, 120, 130, 150, 165, 170
- Six credits from ENGL 204–280 series

UPPER-LEVEL REQUIREMENTS: 16 CREDITS

- Four credits from ENGL 301, 304, 306, 309, 310, 312, 316, 318, 319
- 12 credits from ENGL 301–490 series

PLEASE NOTE: EXTENDED STUDIES CERTIFICATES IN ALL OF THE ABOVE OPTIONS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE.

WHEN SHOULD I APPLY? WHAT DO I NEED TO GET IN?

Applications for the fall semester should be received by January 31. Applications received after this deadline will still be considered only if space is available in the program.

Admission is on a competitive basis, which means that meeting the minimal requirements does not guarantee admission. Specific requirements will be published on the UFV website.

HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

It's best to consult the UFV calendar at www.ufv.ca/calendar for tuition fees, keeping in mind that new fees are usually set in May. Books and other fees will cost about \$100 per course.

You should also visit the UFV Financial Aid and Awards office, which facilitates the disbursement each year of about \$12 million in federal and provincial student loans, grants, bursaries, scholarships, and awards to UFV students.

A helpful budget planning worksheet is available online at www.ufv.ca/fineaid/budget.

I'M INTERESTED. WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT?

It's best to check out our online calendar at www.ufv.ca/calendar and read the English section carefully. From our website you can go to the download centre and download the application form. Fill it in and submit it, along with the required documents and the \$45 application fee, to the Admissions and Records office at any UFV campus or centre or via the internet at www.pas.bc.ca.

WHAT KIND OF SUPPORT WILL I HAVE?

Please visit www.ufv.ca/student-services to learn about the broad range of services designed to help you learn about and adjust to the university environment. As an English student you will also enjoy the benefits of UFV's English Student Association. This student-run organization is designed to promote social and educational activities for association members and UFV students while also promoting an interest in English and creating inter-disciplinary discussion. You can also find out more about the *The Loudon Singletree* UFV's student-run literary magazine and *The Quill*, a newsletter for students and faculty of English.

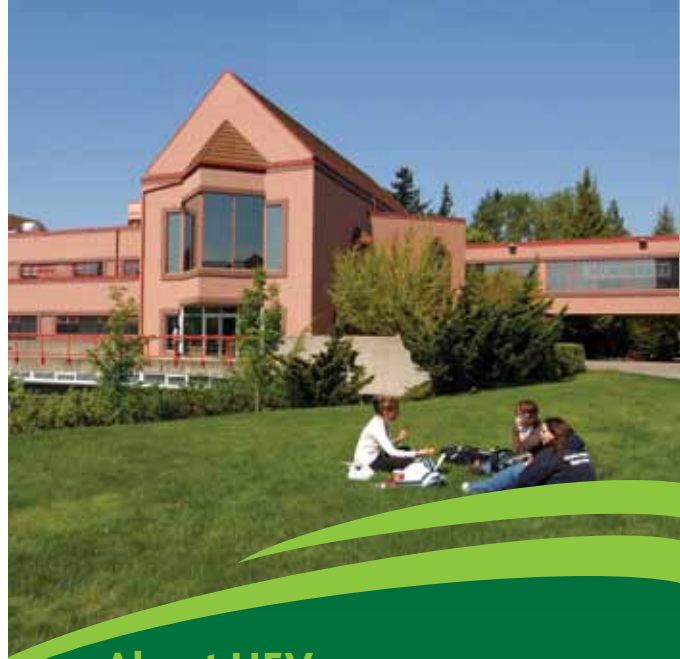
CAN I SPEAK WITH SOMEONE ABOUT MY OPTIONS?

We want to hear from you! If you're unsure of your direction, contact Student Services at 1-888-504-7441 to connect with an educational advisor, or arrange for career counselling.

You can also contact the English department directly, or speak with a program advisor in the Arts Advice Centre at 604-557-4028, email english@ufv.ca, or visit www.ufv.ca/english.



The information contained in this document is subject to change. Please refer to www.ufv.ca/english for up-to-date information. UFV reserves the right to cancel courses and programs.



About UFV

Nestled in the beautiful Fraser Valley just east of Vancouver, in B.C., UFV is a fully accredited, public university that enrolls more than 11,000 students each year. UFV has campuses in Abbotsford, Chilliwack, and Mission and regional centres in Hope and Agassiz, and a growing presence in Chandigarh, India.

UFV is committed to exceptional post-secondary instruction and a nurturing learning environment. We are large enough to offer variety, yet small enough to offer the personal attention that our students need to thrive. Our small class sizes and focus on teaching allow our students to get to know their instructors and learn in a hands-on setting.

We offer more than 80 programs, including 13 bachelor's degrees, a master's degree, and more than a dozen trades and technology programs. We believe that anyone who wants to go to university should be given the chance, so our admission policies are flexible, and we provide university prep courses and high school completion options. There are many options for learning: full-time, in class, online, as part of a structured program or one tailored specifically to your interests.

Many of our programs "ladder" into one another, allowing students to keep their options open. Our international programming makes for a culturally diverse student body and great opportunities to study abroad, while our continuing studies offerings make learning a lifelong experience.

UFV is recognized nationally for student success, an excellent learning environment, creative integration of programming, and our work with our local communities.

Get to know us better at www.ufv.ca.

