

# ENGLISH

### WHAT IS ENGLISH?

The Department of English offers courses in writing, language, and literature. The study of English forms a cornerstone of a liberal arts education and will help you to become an adaptable thinker, confident in your ability to determine your own path; learn to analyze, express, and understand information at a time when information literacy is an essential skill; know how to bring innovation and creativity to the workplace and acquire skills that employers are searching for, like critical thinking, creativity and written/verbal communication. Because these skills are transferable to dozens of fields, earning a degree in English lets you explore your interests in writing, language, and literature and gives you extraordinary career flexibility.

### RELATED CAREER TITLES

Abstract Writer	Business Communications	Editorial Assistant	Librarian
Acquisitions Editing	Claim Adjuster/Examiner	English/Literature Professor	Literary Agent
Actor/Actress	Clergy	Feature Writer	Lobbyist
Administrator	College Administration	Financial Analyst	Magazine Publisher
Admissions Counselor	Columnist	Foreign Correspondent	Management Analyst
Advertising Account Executive	Community Relations Specialist	Foreign Service	Manager
Advertising Copy Writer	Community Services Director	Freelance Writer	Manuscript Reader
Advertising Executive	Consultant	Fundraising Coordinator	Market Research Analyst
Advertising Traffic Manager	Consumer Affairs Investigator	Government Officer	Marketing Representative
Advocate	Convention Organizer	Government Service	Media Planner
Announcer (Radio/TV)	Copy Editing	Historical Museum Assistant	Multi-Media Author
Archivist	Copywriter	Human Services	Newscaster
Arts Administrator	Corporate Communications	Humanities & Arts Councils	Newspaper Editor
Assistant Market Research Analyst	Creative Director	Indexer	Office Manager
Attorney	Critic	Information Specialist	Paralegal
Audio-visual Specialist	Customer Service Representative	Interviewer	Peace Corps/Vista
Bank Officer	Data Processing	Journalist	Personnel Assistant
Bibliographer	Documents Analyst	Legal Assistant	Poet
Bookstore Manager	Editor	Legislative Assistant or Aide	Policy & Procedures Analyst

### RELATED CAREER TITLES (CONTINUED)

Political Campaign Organizer	Public Opinion Analyst	Research Publication Editing	Stockbroker
Press Secretary	Public Relations Writer	Retailing/Buying	Systems Analyst
Procedures Analyst	Public Service	Sales Representative	Teacher, Social Studies
Production Coordinator	Publications Editor	Sales Writer	Technical Editor
Program Director	Publicity Coordinator	School Administrator	Technical Writer
Program Planner	Publisher	Script Writer (Screen/Radio/TV)	Travel Agent
Project Editing	Radio Production	Song Writer	Underwriter
Proofreader	Radio/TV Program Assistant	Special Concerns Advocate	University/College Relations
Public Affairs Coordinator	Research Analyst	Speech/Grant Writer	Writers' Agent
Public Affairs Officer	Research Director	Sales Representative	Writing Center Director

### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Accuracy	Gathering information	Reading for tone and attitude
Adapting ideas	Generating new ideas	Rewriting and editing
Analyzing complex ideas	Influencing and persuading	Seeing connections
Arguing logically	Informing and explaining	Simplifying jargon
Clarity	Interpreting confusing language	Sizing up an audience
Coherence in writing and speech	Interpreting instructions	Thinking independently
Comparing and summarizing	Problem solving	Weighing values
Defining	Questioning conventions	Working in groups
Designing/directing projects	Reading for ideas	

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FHSU Career Development Office: [www.fhsu.edu/career/](http://www.fhsu.edu/career/)

Occupational Outlook Handbook: [www.bls.gov/ooh](http://www.bls.gov/ooh)



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