# ENGLISH

**(ELISH – B.A., 120 Credits)**

Students at Penn State Behrend choose from two options within the undergraduate English major: *Literature, Film, and Culture* and *Professional Writing*. The LFC option includes varied courses in literature, literary theory, gender studies, performance, and film. The professional writing option features courses in the editorial process, media writing, and writing in the workplace.

The LFC option culminates in a sophisticated senior project on a topic of the student’s choosing, completed in consultation with a mentoring professor. The Professional Writing option culminates in an off-campus internship, where students receive writing and editing experience in a professional environment.

## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

English majors are well adapted to a variety of career choices. As a result, graduates of Penn State Behrend’s program in English have found employment in a wide range of fields. Many have pursued advanced degrees in English, education, law, medicine, library science, and business. Several of our graduates teach English at the junior-high or high-school levels. Still others work in the private sector, for insurance companies, research institutions, corporations, and real estate firms.

**BUSINESS, GRADUATE SCHOOL, LAW SCHOOL, HIGHER EDUCATION**

* Erie Insurance
* Coldwell Banker Real Estate
* Erie Art Museum
* National Fuel
* Stephen and Moore, Inc. (Orlando, FL)
* TVSM, Inc.
* Lab School of Washington
* Nine West (New York City)
* Washtenaw United Way
* Florida Conservation Association
* Erie Times-News
* Blue Cross of Western PA
* American Horticultural Society
* Brown Thompson Newspapers
* Barnes & Noble
* Rodale Press
* PSU University Park
* State University of New York at Buffalo
* Syracuse University
* University of Pittsburgh
* Ohio State University
* New York University
* West Virginia University
* Northwestern University
* Carnegie Mellon University
* Emory University
* Johns Hopkins University
* University of West Florida
* Mercyhurst University
* Gannon University

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## GENERAL EDUCATION (45 credits)

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\* Students may complete any 9 credits of GN sciences.

\*\* Students may complete any 3 credits of GHA as long as the total equals 3 or more credits.

\*\*\* A student may request an exception in order to establish a focus in one area. For example, a student may opt to take *one* course in the Social and Behavioral Sciences, *two* in the Arts, and *three* in the Humanities—referred to as the 3-6-9 sequence.

| **Writing/Speaking Courses (9 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ENGL 015 or 030H (GWS) |  | 3 |
| ENGL 202A, B, C or D (GWS) |  | 3 |
| CAS 100A, B, C, or H (GWS) |  | 3 |

| **Natural Science Courses (GN)\* (9 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |

| **Quantification Courses (GQ) (6 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |

| **Health and Physical Activity (GHA)\*\* (3 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 1.5 |
|  |  | 1.5 |

| **Arts Courses (GA)\*\*\* (6 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |

| **Humanities Courses (GH)\*\*\* (6 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
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| **Social/Behavioral Courses (GS)\*\*\* (6 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |

### Additional Graduation Requirements

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\*\* Can also be counted toward General Education or major requirements.

+ Effective for students enrolling in or after summer session 2005.

| **Course Type: Additional Requirements**  | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| First-Year Seminar (Included in electives or general education) |  | 1 |
| Writing Across the Curriculum in the major (W)\*\* |  | 3 |
| International Cultures (IL)\*\*+ |  | 3 |
| United States Cultures (US)\*\*+ |  | 3 |

## Bachelor of Arts Degree Requirements (12–24 credits)

**FOREIGN LANGUAGE (0–12 credits):** students must attain 12th credit level proficiency.

This requirement is governed by a placement policy dictated by the number of levels of foreign language completed prior to admission to college.

| **Courses: Foreign Language** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
|  | 4 |
|  | 4 |
|  | 4 |

## B.A. KNOWLEDGE DOMAINS (9 credits)

Formerly, students were required to complete 3 credits in each of three domains (Arts, Humanities, Social & Behavioral Sciences). Effective Summer 2005, students are permitted to complete all 9 credits in any one of six domains or a combination thereof, but *courses may not be taken in the area of the student’s primary major*. The six domains are Arts (GA), Humanities (GH), Social & Behavioral Sciences (GS), Natural Sciences (GN), Quantification (GQ), and Foreign Language *if* the coursework is in a second foreign language or beyond the 12th credit proficiency of the first foreign language.

See complete list of courses at: <http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergrad/barequirements/>

| **Courses: Knowledge Domains** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
|  | 3 |
|  | 3 |
|  | 3 |

## OTHER CULTURES (3 cr)†

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**†** Cannot be used to satisfy the U.S. & International Cultures requirement.

See: <http://bulletins.psu.edu/undergrad/barequirements/otherCultures>

| **Course: (Other Cultures)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
|  | 3 |

| **PRESCRIBED COURSES (12 credits)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
| ENGL 200 | 3 |
| ENGL 312 | 3 |
| ENGL 403 | 3 |
| ENGL 482W | 3 |

| **ADDITIONAL COURSES (3 credits)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
| ENGL 443 or 444 | 3 |

| **PRESCRIBED COURSES FOR LFC OPTION (12-15 credits)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
| CMLIT 453 | 3 |
| ENGL 420 | 3 |
| PHIL 409 | 3 |
| ENGL 494If the 6-credit option is selected, 3 credits count toward the 400-level Additional Courses requirement below. | 3-6 |

| **ADDITIONAL COURSES FOR LFC OPTION (15 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| COMM 150, INART 005 or INART 110 |  | 3 |
| 200-level or below in CMLIT or ENGL (Except ENGL 050) |  | 3 |
| 200-level or below in CMLIT or ENGL (Except ENGL 050) |  | 3 |
| 400-level in CMLIT or ENGL (Except 400-level Creative Writing workshops) |  | 3 |
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| **SUPPORTING COURSES FOR LFC OPTION (3 credits)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
| ENGL 477 | 3 |
| ENGL/WMNST 489 | 3 |
| ENGL 492/WMNST 491 | 3 |

| **PRESCRIBED COURSES FOR PROFESSIONAL WRITING OPTION (12 credits)** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- |
| ENGL 100 | 3 |
| ENGL 215 | 3 |
| ENGL 417 | 3 |
| ENGL 495 | 3 |

| **ADDITIONAL COURSES FOR PROF WRIT OPTION (15 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| ENGL 418 or ENGL 419 |  | 3 |
| Select 12 credits from the following courses with at least 6 credits from the 400-level: COMM 260W, COMM 315, ENGL 262 or 263 or 265, ENGL 415, ENGL 420, ENGL 425, ENGL 439, ENGL 479 |  | 12 |

| **SUPPORTING COURSES FOR PROF WRIT OPTION (3 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Select 3 credits from the following list of courses: COMM 001, COMM 002, COMM 320, COMM 370, COMM 406, COMM 460W |  | 3 |

| **ELECTIVES FOR BOTH OPTIONS (18 credits)** | **Your Courses** | **Credits** |
| --- | --- | --- |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |
|  |  | 3 |
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**For a full list of Faculty in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, visit**[**http://psbehrend.psu.edu/school-of-humanities-social-sciences/faculty-staff-directory**](http://psbehrend.psu.edu/school-of-humanities-social-sciences/faculty-staff-directory)

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