English (HBA)

Specialist · **Major** · Minor

Department of English

See also co-op option

English Literature explores the diversity of texts produced in the English-speaking world, across historical periods and geographical boundaries. You will engage with new ways of thinking, speaking, and writing about the world and, in so doing, interact with and change that world.

Our Major program is perfect if you want to combine your interests in literature with another subject area. Some subject areas are in close dialogue with English, enabling you to gain deeper insight into the multidisciplinary facets of our discipline. Or you could combine quite different passions across your programs. Either way, bringing focused exploration of English literature into dialogue with another field of interest gives you valuable perspective and flexibility, helping you prepare for graduate school or other professional paths.

Complementary Programs: You can combine our Major with a huge range of programs in the Humanities, Social Sciences, and the Sciences.

Make the most of your time at UTSC!

We want to help you maximize your university experience, so we've pulled together information and suggestions to get you started, although there are many more! As you review the chart on the inside pages, note that many of the suggestions need not be restricted to the year they are listed. In fact, activities such as joining a student club, engaging with faculty and seeking opportunities to gain experience should occur in each year of your study.

Check out future career opportunities and skills acquired from completing this program:

Competencies & Skills

- Build on the foundations of effective writing to produce sustained lines of argument
- Use grammar, syntax, and vocabulary appropriate to context
- Develop strong critical reading and critical thinking skills
- Attain deep disciplinary knowledge of authors, literary periods, genres, and regions
- Amplify capacity for respectful forms of communication

Careers for Graduates

- Teacher or Education Curriculum Developer
- Editor/Copy Editor
- Author/Writer/Artist in Creative Industries
- Journalist/Editor/Drama Critic/Film Critic
- Social Media Manager
- Public Relations Specialist
- Market Research Analyst
- Policy Analyst (Government or NGOs)
- Technical Writer
- Journalist/Blogger
- Communications Assistant

Further Education

- English
- Journalism
- Education
- Library and Information Science
- Publishing
- Law School
- Public Relations
- Marketing

Connect with Alumni at events on **CLNx** and through **Partners in Leadership, 10,000 Coffees, LinkedIn** and more!

For more information go to:
uoft.me/alumni-services

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See uoft.me/choosing

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Major Program Pathway

	YEAR 1 (0 - 3.5 Credits)	YEAR 2 (4 - 8.5 Credits)	YEAR 3 (9 - 13.5 Credits)	YEAR 4 or FINAL YEAR (14 - 20 Credits)
CHOOSE YOUR COURSES WISELY	• Take ENGA01H3 and ENGA02H3. • Explore different kinds of courses; this will also help with fulfilling breadth requirements and electives. • Use Degree Explorer and the UTSC Calendar to plan your courses and program of interest.	• Take ENGB27H3 and ENGB28H3. • Stick with B-levels, or, if you've completed at least 6.0 university credits, in English or elsewhere, plunge into C-levels. • Use Degree Explorer to plan your courses and program. • Meet with your Program Advisor or Supervisor to strategize for your degree.	• You will need 1.0 credit from English courses whose content is pre-1900; check the department website for current offerings. • Take 4.0 additional credits in English courses, of which 2.0 credits must be at the C- or D- level. • Use Degree Explorer to ensure you are on track with your degree.	• Make sure you've completed 0.5 credit from D-level English courses. • Check that you have fulfilled your breadth requirements. • Use Degree Explorer to ensure you are on track to graduate. • Register your "Intent to Graduate" on ACORN by the deadline.
DEVELOP YOUR ACADEMIC & RESEARCH SKILLS	• Schedule an appointment with your Program Librarian for in-depth research assistance with your assignments. • Get writing support through the CTL Writing Centre.	• Attend our annual conference and read the student literary journal The Scarborough Review to get a sense of excellent research and writing. • Further develop your general academic skills by attending workshops offered by the Academic Advising & Career Centre (AA&CC) and Centre for Teaching & Learning (CTL).	• Aiming toward graduate work in English? Take ENGC15H3. • Have a big project in mind? Think about whether ENGD98Y3, the Capstone Seminar & Independent Senior Essay, might be for you. • Consider submitting an essay for the Annual English Undergraduate Conference. • Compete for the UTSC Library Undergraduate Research Prize or Poster Forum.	• Looking toward graduate school? Definitely take ENGD98Y3. • Thinking about a teaching career? Check out ENGD02Y3. • Apply for an Academic Travel Fund through DSL to research, present at a conference, or engage with the international academic community.
APPLY THEORY TO PRACTICE	• Attend the UTSC Faculty Mix & Mingle Fair or SELF's Fall Mix & Mingle to connect with professors and learn more about their specialties. • Start building your Co-Curricular Record (CCR) and search for Experiential Learning opportunities.	• Participate in SELF by volunteering in their events or running for an executive position. • Get involved in relevant opportunities on and/or off campus (e.g., apply to Work Study, or other part-time and summer jobs on CLNx).	• Consider presenting an essay at the English Undergraduate Conference — watch for the announcement of the conference theme. • Check the English department website for writing, publishing, and awards opportunities. • Build on your skills and knowledge through events offered through our department, student groups, the DSL, and the AA&CC.	• Submit a paper to the Sigma Tau Delta International English Conference. • Attend the Summer & Full-Time Job Fair in January to meet with potential employers looking to hire students for relevant summer and full-time positions.
BECOME AN ENGAGED CITIZEN (LOCALLY & GLOBALLY)	• Join the Students of English Literature and Film (SELF) and/or Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Society. • Explore other relevant student clubs and activities on campus. • Volunteer in DSL's Alternative Reading Week (ARW) program to gain experience and knowledge about social change and community development.	• Keep an eye on the department website and social media (@utsc_engdept) to discover our calendar of events. • Check CLNx to search for Work Study or volunteer positions on campus to gain experience and to get involved.	• Join the Annual English Undergraduate Conference by submitting a paper on this year's advertised theme. • Look into volunteering or working overseas to expand your network through International Student Centre's (ISC) Global Learning programs.	• Explore opportunities to mentor new students through SELF's advising hours and editing workshops. • Participate in the AA&CC's Partners in Leadership program to learn and network with an alumni mentor about transitioning to work or further education.
PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE CAREER	• Watch for the English Department's Career Paths Panel, to hear from alumni and faculty about their experiences. • Volunteer with organizations to expand your interests — you can check listings on CLNx. • Attend the UTSC Get Experience Fair in September and register with SCSU's Volunteer Network Program to explore opportunities.	• Gain experience by applying for a summer, part-time or Work Study position via CLNx. • Considering grad school? Speak to professors and advisors early so you are on track. • Explore careers through the AA&CC's Job Shadowing and In The Field programs.	• Plan a career path with a staff member at the AA&CC. • Check CLNx for networking events and employer information sessions to attend. • Attend the Graduate & Professional School Fair in September. • Talk to professors about how to strengthen your application for grad school.	• Attend the AA&CC's Get Hired job search conference in April/May. • Attend a Jobs for Grads orientation for a job search "crash course" and for access to full-time job listings. • Get your Personal Statement reviewed in the AA&CC. • Contact professors about writing reference letters.

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SERVICES AT UTSC THAT SUPPORT YOU:

To learn about resources and departments that can support you, download the UTSC Student Experience app or visit **uoft.me/StARTNow**

Diversity & Inclusion

The University of Toronto Scarborough commits to intentionally foster a welcoming and supportive environment for students, faculty, and staff where diversity is valued, and every member of the community feels a sense of belonging on campus. **utsc.utoronto.ca/edo/**

Academic Integrity

The university community supports an environment of academic integrity; these are values that include honesty, trust, fairness, respect and responsibility. Learn about the university's academic rules and how to avoid accidental plagiarism by attending an Academic Integrity Matters (AIM) workshop. **academicintegrity.utoronto.ca/**

Healthy Campus

UTSC provides supportive environments, resources and services to empower students to maintain their overall physical and mental health and foster their academic success. **uoft.me/healthycampus/**

Co-Curricular Record

The co-curricular record is an official institutional document that recognizes your involvement outside the classroom as a significant part of your U of T experience. **clnx.utoronto.ca/ccr**

DID YOU KNOW...

Many of our faculty are active in writing, filmmaking, and other creative endeavors, inside and outside the classroom.

FUTURE STUDENTS

For admission requirements to UTSC, check out the U of T Scarborough Viewbook or contact:

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CURRENT STUDENTS

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Academic Advising & Career Centre
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Department of Student Life
Room SL157 | 416-208-4760

Students of English Literature and Film (SELF), www.facebook.com/UTSCSELF

Glossary of acronyms:

AA&CC - Academic Advising & Career Centre
ARW - Alternative Reading Week
CLNx - Career & Co-Curricular Learning Network
CCR - Co-Curricular Record
CTL - Centre for Teaching & Learning
DSL - Department of Student Life
ISC - International Student Centre
SELF - Students of English Literature and Film
SCSU - Scarborough Campus Students' Union