

The Department of English offers training in the foundational skills of reading, interpretation, writing, public speaking, and research. Students learn how to analyze a diverse array of cultural and artistic materials, from poetry and novels to films and new digital media. They learn to explore how such works emerge from, respond to, and shape their historical and cultural contexts. And they think about how the interpretation of such works encourages us to ask really fundamental questions about meaning, justice, and life.

RELATED CAREER FIELDS

- Education (Primary, Secondary, Post-Secondary)
- Law
- Advertising
- Publishing / Editing
- Business Management
- Journalism
- Academic and Governmental Administration
- STEM / Technical Writing
- Medicine and Dentistry

PROGRAMS

- Bachelor of Arts
- Combined BA/MA
- Master of Arts
- PhD
- English Teacher Education Program
- Minors in English, Film and Screen Studies
- STEM in Literature & Culture, and Theatre Arts

DID YOU KNOW?

Our English Education Program prepares students interested in secondary education for their New York State teacher certification, and our graduates have an excellent job placement rate in school districts across Long Island & New York State.





Laci Burton '25, BA English

"My experience in the English program has allowed me to form invaluable relationships with my professors, and this support system has enabled me to take my scholarship to new levels. I've had the opportunity to write an honors thesis, do archival research, and present at conferences, which have prepared me greatly for my future plans of graduate school, earning my PhD, and teaching on a collagiate level."

GETTING INVOLVED

- Internship possibilities through podcasts, *Herstory*, "Writing Beyond the Prison" and other exciting opportunities
- Pressing Matters Lecture Series
- Alpha Nu Zeta English Honors Society
- Annual Department book giveaway
- GradCon Annual Graduate Conference
- English Honors Program
- Independent research projects
- Conference presentation

SOME OF OUR COURSES

- Literary Analysis and Argumentation
- American Narratives of Race and Justice
- Literature, Film, and the Environment
- Topics in Race and Ethnicity in American
- Literatures and Cultures
- Literature, Science and Technology
- Contemporary Literature and Pop Culture
- Global Film Traditions
- Immigration, Aesthetics and Asian
- American Literature
- Literature, Ethics and Medicine



Gabriela Reyes '22 BA English Currently pursuing a pre-med degree

"As a future doctor, my English degree helped me stand out in the application process. My training in English means that I am able to analyze small details of literary text and look beyond words on a page. With this, I hope to look beyond what's in front of me when faced with a medical challenge."

