# **Minor in English**

To provide all NEIU students—but especially transfers—with an important background and set of skills and experiences to complement any major, the English department offers an 18 credit minor degree, with a maximum of 9 credit hours transferred from other institutions. Adding a credential in English will help NEIU students excel in any major and distinguish themselves from others both in their coursework and later on the job market. While the traditional skills taught in all our courses--writing, research, and oral communication--are always in demand, courses in English offer additional soft skills of empathy and cultural awareness that our alumni have often reported as keys to their success.

#### \*NOTES:

- 1) General Education courses (ENGL 201, 202, 203, 209) or their equivalents at other institutions do not count toward the Minor.
- 2) Creative Writing Minors who are not also ENGL majors may use two courses from their CW Minor toward the completion of this program as part of a double minor.

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## **University Core Curriculum Requirements**

### **General Education Distribution Area** Cr. Hrs. Fine Arts (FA)\* 2 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: Art, CMT (Mass Media or Theatre), Music (includes Dance). Humanities (HU)\* 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: CMT (Communication), English, Linguistics. Philosophy, Women's and Gender Studies, World Languages and Cultures, (Note: No more than two foreign language courses may be used to fulfill this requirement.) Behavioral/Social Sciences (SB)\* 3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study: African & African American Studies, Anthropology, Computer Science, Economics, Geography & Environmental Studies, History, Justice Studies, Latino &

#### Natural Sciences (NS and NSL)\*\*

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3 courses, from at least two of the following areas of study; one course must have a laboratory component (NSL): Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Environmental Science, Physics (Note: If an FYE ANTH that counts as Natural Science is taken, only one Biology course may be used for Natural Science).

Latin American Studies, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Social

#### **Engaged Learning Experiences**

Students must complete, at Northeastern, three courses designated as Engaged Learning Experiences courses. One of the Engaged Learning Experiences courses must be at the 300-level, and one Engaged Learning Experiences course must be designated as "Boundary Crossing".

#### Discipline Specific (ELE-DS)

These courses have pre-requisites that are specific courses within a program of study. Discipline Specific courses give students a deeper understanding of how knowledge is created and applied in their field.

#### **Boundary Crossing (ELE-X)**

These are courses that cross disciplinary boundaries and/or cross boundaries through engagements outside the classroom or University allowing students to see how knowledge gained in one field might inform other fields or other aspects of society.

#### Math/Quantitative Reasoning (MA)

1 Math course, that has intermediate Algebra as prerequisite OR is a course listed on the General Education Distributive Learning List of Approved Courses. Any 3 hour college level math course, beyond Intermediate Algebra, meets this requirement.

- \* Majors in Fine Arts, Humanities or Social/Behavioral Sciences, may waive up to 6 credit hours of General Education requirements in the corresponding distribution area.
- \*\* Majors in Natural Sciences may waive up to 9 credit hours of General Education requirements in the Natural Sciences distribution area.

Students should also be aware of all other university requirements to obtain a degree - NEIU requirements (http://catalog.neiu.edu/graduation-requirements/bachelors-degree/)

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Code	Title	Hours
Two courses from the f	ollowing: (6 credit hours)	6
ENGL-205	Literatures And Literacies	
ENGL-210	Writing Intensive Program: Methods for English Majors	
ENGL-218	American Literature:Beginnings To 1865	
ENGL-219	American Literature:1865 To The Present	
ENGL-221	English Literature:The Beginnings To C. 1750	
ENGL-222	English Literature: C. 1750 To The Present (Four additional courses at the 300 level)	
Four additional courses in ENGL at the 300 level		12
Total Hours		18

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