

THE ENGLISH HONORS PROGRAM

The English Honors Program is designed to provide outstanding English majors with some special options for fulfilling Departmental requirements. The Program should appeal to students interested in the intensive study of literature in small discussion seminars and in independent exploration of a special topic, of their own choosing, under the guidance of a faculty member.

Typically, students take English Honors seminars during the sophomore and junior year and spend a major portion of the senior year writing their Honors thesis. Both the seminars and the thesis count toward the English Department requirement of 36 upper-division hours.

Upon satisfactory completion of the following requirements, students graduate with the degree of Bachelor of Arts with Honors in English.

REQUIREMENTS:

1. All regular English Department requirements.
2. A minimum of two English Honors seminars (ENG 407); at least one such seminar is offered each term.
3. Ordinarily two terms of English 403 (Thesis) for up to 8 hours credit, a directed program of study or creative writing to be determined by the student with the guidance of an appropriate advisor of the student's choosing.
4. A senior thesis, which may be either a critical essay of 35-50 pages or a substantial piece of creative writing, due by the end of the second term of English 403 or not later than six weeks before the end of the term in which the student intends to graduate. The thesis must be approved by the advisor and a second reader after a formal presentation.

ADMISSION & SUPERVISION

Students interested in being admitted to the English Honors Program should apply to the Program's director. Admission is based upon the applicant's academic record and the recommendation of faculty members in the English Department.

Students should choose their thesis advisor and second reader in consultation with the director of the English Honors Program. While registered for thesis credit (ENG 403) students should confer with the thesis advisor at regular intervals as mutually agreed. They may also wish to confer with their second reader. Students should keep the director of the Honors Program informed of their progress.

For further information contact the Honors Program director for an appointment, call/email the director directly at 346-1309 or ppeppis@uoregon.edu

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