ENGLISH, M.A.

The M.A. in English requires 30-36 credit hours and is designed for those planning to pursue a doctorate; to teach in community colleges, technical institutes, or some undergraduate colleges; and to work in non-academic settings. Three plans of study beyond the core requirements are offered:

1. Thesis Plan
2. Teaching Composition Plan
3. Plan of Study for Careers in the Humanities

For information regarding deadlines and requirements for admission, please see the Guide to Graduate Admissions [https://grs.uncg.edu/prospective/guide](https://grs.uncg.edu/prospective/guide).

In addition to the application materials required by The Graduate School, applicants must submit a 1-2 page statement of purpose, a writing sample (less than 30 pages), and a current cv or resume.

Degree Program Requirements

**Required: 30-36 credit hours**

No more than three courses at the 500 level may be submitted for the degree. All other work must be at the 600 level and above.

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**Alternative Plans of Study (6 or 12 credits)**

Select one plan from the following:

- Thesis Plan (6 credits)
- Teaching Composition Plan (12 credits)
- Plan of Study for Careers in the Humanities (12 credits)

Total Credit Hours

30-36

1. Including one before 1800 and one after 1800.
2. Normally in English or American literature.
3. Or from special topics courses approved in advance by the Graduate Program Director.

**Accelerated B.A. to M.A. in English**

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colleges, technical institutes, or some undergraduate colleges; and to
work in non-academic settings. Three plans of study beyond the core
requirements are offered:

1. Thesis Plan
2. Teaching Composition Plan
3. Careers in the Humanities Plan

Application and Admission
Qualified UNC Greensboro undergraduate students may apply for
admission to the Accelerated Master’s Program (AMP) in English. A
cumulative undergraduate GPA of at least 3.5 based on at least 30 credits
earned at UNC Greensboro is required. Applicants must have completed
at least 60 credits and may not apply for admission to the AMP before the
first semester of the junior year.

English has the following additional requirements for AMP
applicants:
At least 15 credits of undergraduate English courses at the 200 level or
above, with an earned 3.5 GPA in these courses.

Standard application requirements for the Master of Arts (M.A.) degree
program, excluding GRE scores (i.e., undergraduate transcript(s), three
letters of recommendation, statement of purpose, writing sample, and
resume or cv).

AMP applicants must complete the Accelerated Master’s Program
information along with their application for admission to the English M.A.
degree program. Students admitted to the AMP program may apply a
maximum of 12 credits of graduate-level course work toward completion
of both the undergraduate and graduate degrees, provided that they earn
a grade of B (3.0) or better in each graduate course and fulfill graduate-
level requirements.

Courses
Up to, but not more than, 12 credits of graduate courses may be double-
counted. For a course to apply toward both degrees, the student must
earn a grade of B (3.0) or better in the course and fulfill graduate-level
requirements.

The M.A. degree requires 30-36 credit hours of graduate-level course
work. If the maximum of 12 credits is double-counted toward both the
undergraduate and graduate degrees, the student must complete a
minimum of 18 credits of further graduate-level course work to complete
the M.A. degree. No more than 9 credits at the 500 level may be counted
toward the M.A. degree. Please see the University Catalog for a full
description of the M.A. degree requirements.

The following courses have been identified as those that may be counted
toward the B.A. and M.A. degrees. These courses have been chosen
because they are well suited to AMP students and because they are
offered frequently enough to provide students substantial opportunity to
enroll in them. All courses that lead to the completion of the M.A. degree
must be approved by the Graduate Program Director.

The following courses may be counted toward both the bachelor and
master’s degrees:

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* May be repeated twice for credit when topic or instructor varies.

Please consult with an advisor to determine how the courses taken at the
graduate level will meet requirements in the bachelor’s degree program.
All degree requirements for the M.A. in English will remain the same.

M.A. Doctoral Track
Individuals intending to continue on to doctoral studies in English at
UNC Greensboro may apply to the M.A. Doctoral Track which offers
exceptionally well-qualified applicants the opportunity to gain admission
to the master’s and doctoral programs simultaneously. This program
is designed for students who would like to obtain their M.A. and then
proceed directly to the Ph.D. program. Students accepted into the
Doctoral Track must fulfill all requirements for the M.A. and the Ph.D.
and will earn both degrees. Students not accepted into the M.A. Doctoral
Track may still be accepted into the M.A. only.