

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE

African American Literary Studies

AALS Pathway Advising Worksheet || Bachelor of Arts in English (36 Hours)
Department of English Language and Literature

See the SIUE Undergraduate Catalog for additional information: siue.edu/academics/undergraduate/.
Everything included on this two-page worksheet is for advisory purposes; official English major requirements are listed in the SIUE Undergraduate Catalog.

Three required English courses (9-hour core sequence):

ENG 125, ENG 205, or ENG 225 – Introduction to African American Literary Studies
ENG 341 – African American Women's Writing
ENG 495 – Professional Development in African American Literary Studies

Three survey courses* (9 hours) from the following:

ENG 205 – Introduction to African American Texts
ENG 225 – Introduction to African American Literary Studies
ENG 342 – Topics in African American Literature
ENG 344 – Topics in Ethnic Literature
ENG 345 – Topics in African American Poetry and Folklore

* may not include required English core courses selected above (no double dipping); ENG 344 and ENG 345 may be taken up to six hours when no topic is repeated, but may only count one time each to fulfill survey requirement

One major author course (3 hours) from the following:

ENG 477 – Morrison
ENG 479 – Major Authors: Shared Traditions (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 480 – Major Authors: Crossing Boundaries (if topic is appropriate)

One language systems course (3 hours):

ENG 343 – Topics in African American Rhetoric and Oratory

One course in writing approaches (3 hours) from the following:

ENG 290 – Introduction to Creative Writing
ENG 490 – Advanced Composition
ENG 491 – Technical and Business Writing

One upper-level literature course (3 hours):

ENG 446 – Studies in African American Literature

Two additional English elective courses* (6 hours) from the following:

ENG 342 – Topics in African American Literature
ENG 344 – Topics in Ethnic Literature (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 345 – Topics in African American Poetry and Folklore
ENG 463 – Topics in Literary Periods (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 464 – Topics in Forms and Genres (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 477 – Morrison
ENG 479 – Major Authors: Shared Traditions (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 480 – Major Authors: Crossing Boundaries (if topic is appropriate)
ENG 499 – Independent Study

*may not include survey or major authors courses selected above (no double dipping); topics courses may be taken up to six hours when no topic is repeated

See next page for more information

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- See AALS Pathway options listed on previous page

Additional Requirements

- Minor requirements (select a minor program: 18-21 hours)
- Foreign Languages (all hours in the same language: 8 hours)
- Graduation requirements (see below: 120 hours required for BA degree)

Notes

- The complete English major program can include no more than 15 hours at the 200 level and must include at least 15 hours at the 400 level
- ENG 499 may not count toward the 400-level course requirements
- Only courses in which students receive a C or better will be applied toward English major requirements
- Students planning to attend graduate school in English or law school should take two years of a foreign language

Graduation Requirements: Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English

- Complete all general education and specific program requirements
- Complete all minor requirements
- Complete two semesters of a single foreign language
- Complete 120 credit hours
- File an Application for Graduation by the first day of the term in which you plan to graduate

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