REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR OF ARTS
COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education:

Summer 2011 through Spring 2012

Minimum Credit Hours and Grade Point Averages Required			
Total Hours —	**120**	Upper-Division Within Total	**48**
Major Hours —	**36**	Upper-Division Within Major	**15**

Grade Point Averages:
Overall & Major: Combined OU/Transfer - **2.00** OU - **2.00**

48 Upper-Division Hours REQUIRED

English—
Writing (Track 2)

B375 P696

Bachelor of Arts

OU encourages students to complete at least 30 hours of applicable coursework each year to have the opportunity to graduate in four years.

GENERAL EDUCATION AND COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS
Courses graded P/NP will not apply.

Courses for fulfillment of General Education and College of Arts & Sciences requirements must be from the approved General Education course list published in the Class Schedule or at **http://www.ou.edu/enrollment/home/**

University-Wide General Education (minimum 40 hours) and College of Arts and Sciences Requirements

Core Area I: Symbolic and Oral Communication (9-22 hours, 3-6 courses)

a. **English Composition** (6 hours, 2 courses)
   1. English 1113, Principles of English Composition
   2. English 1213, Principles of English Composition, **or** EXPO 1213, Expository Writing

b. **Foreign Language** (0-13 hours in the same language)
   The College of Arts and Sciences requirement ***cannot be met by high school coursework***.
   1. Beginning Course (0-5 hours) _____
   2. Beginning Course, continued (0-5 hours) _____
   ♦ 3. Intermediate Course (2000 level, 0-3 hours). _____
   One course at the intermediate level or demonstrated competency at that level.

c. **Mathematics** (3 hours, 1 course). _____

Core Area II: Natural Science (7 hours, 2 courses) including one laboratory component.

♦ 1. **Biological Science** _____
Chosen from the following approved General Education designators: BIOL, BOT, HES, MBIO, or ZOO.

♦ 2. **Physical Science** _____
Chosen from the following approved General Education designators: AGSC, ASTR, CHEM, GEOG, GEOL, GPHY, METR, or PHYS.

Core Area III: Social Science (6 hours, 2 courses)

1. Political Science 1113, American Federal Government
2. _____

Core Area IV: Humanities (18 hours, 6 courses)

a: **Understanding Artistic Forms** (3 hours, 1 course) _____

b. **Western Civilization and Culture** (6 hours, 2 courses)
   1. History 1483, U.S., 1492-1865, **or** History 1493, U.S., 1865-Present,
   2. _____ (excluding HIST 1483 and 1493)

c. **Non-Western Culture** (3 hours, 1 course):_____

d. **Additional Core IV Humanities courses** (6 upper-division hours, 2 courses at the 3000- 4000-level). Must be outside the major and selected from Understanding Artistic Forms, Western Civilization and Culture, or Non-Western Culture.

♦ 1. _____

♦ 2. _____

Core Area V: Senior Capstone Experience (3 hours, 1 course): _____

♦ College of Arts and Sciences Requirements: College requirements are not automatically fulfilled by a previous degree.

Computer Literacy Requirement — Students must demonstrate computer proficiency which includes the competent use of a variety of software and networking applications. This requirement may be satisfied by:
1. A high school computer science course that meets curricular requirement; **or**
2. Completion of a college-level course that requires competent use of computing; **or**
3. Completion of a university computer proficiency assessment test.

Some courses required for the major may also fulfill University General Education and/or College of Arts & Sciences Requirements. A grade of C or better must be earned in each English course presented for major credit.

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

CORE COURSES:

2313	Intro. to Critical Rdg. & Writing	3
3313	Intro. to Lit. & Cultural Studies	3

2 survey courses (one of the following pairs):

2433	World Lit. to 1700, **and**	
2443	World Lit. 1700 to Present	
2543	English Lit. 1375-1700, **and**	
2653	English Lit. 1700 to Present	
2773	American Literature, **and**	
2883	American Literature	
	_____	3
	_____	3

CAPSTONE COURSE:

4853	English Capstone Course	3

WRITING COURSES — 4 courses, 3 of which must be upper-division, chosen from the following:

2113	Intermediate Writing	
2123	Creative Writing	
2133	Autobiographical Writing	
3103	Topics in Adv. Composition	
3123	Fiction Writing	
3133	Poetry Writing	
3143	Studies in Literacy & Rhetoric	
3163	Writing, Rhetoric, & Hist. of Tech.	
3173	Histories-Writ/Rhet/Technology	
3183	Authoring in the Information Age	
3223	Oklahoma Writers/Writing Okla.	
4923	Advanced Fiction Writing	
4933	Advanced Poetry Writing	
4943	Adv. Creative Nonfiction	
	_____	3
	_____	3
	_____	3
	_____	3

LITERARY AND CULTURAL STUDIES COURSES — 3 courses chosen from 2 different groups from the following. At least one of the three courses taken from Groups I-VI must be a multicultural course from the following: 2713, 2733, 2743, 3253, 3283, 3343, 3353, 3433, 3453, 3483, 3643, 4033, 4283, 4323, 4343, 4373, or 4383.

Group I: Medieval/Renaissance (ca. 1375–1700)
3513, 3523, 3533, 4503, 4513, 4523, 4533, 4543, 4553, 4593, 4603.

Group II: Early Modern & Contemporary British Literature (ca. 1700)
3033, 3043, 3543, 3553, 3613, 3623, 4563, 4573, 4583, 4613, 4623, 4653.

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MAJOR REQUIREMENTS - continued

Group III: American Literatures
2713, 2733, 2743, 3253, 3283, 3353, 3463, 3473, 3483, 3713, 3833, 4323, 4343, 4713, 4723, 4733, 4813, 4823, 4833.

Group IV: World Literatures
3343, 3433, 3453, 3573, 3643, 3653, 4003, 4033, 4383, 4403, 4423, 4433, 4443, 4453, 4950.

Group V: Genres and Media
3023, 3213, 3233, 3243, 3263, 3273, 3363, 3403, 3423, 3813, 4133, 4203, 4283.

Group VI: Theory, Criticism and Cultural Studies
3013, 3323, 3333, 3383, 3413, 4023, 4233, 4243, 4253, 4263, 4273, 4303, 4373, 4463.

_____	3
_____	3
_____	3

MAJOR SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS

Proficiency in 1 foreign language is required as demonstrated by proficiency examination or successful completion of 2 semesters of intermediate coursework in a foreign language taught in Classics or Modern Languages departments.

(Successful completion = grade of C or better in the second semester of the intermediate year.)

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Free Electives

Electives to bring total applicable hours to 120 including 48 upper-division hours.

INFORMATION CONCERNING GENERAL RULES, REGULATIONS AND MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

TOTAL HOURS: A minimum of 120 semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed.

UPPER-DIVISION HOURS: A minimum of 48 upper-division semester hours acceptable toward graduation must be completed. OU courses numbered 3000 or above are upper-division. Transfer work is counted as lower-division or upper-division credit depending on the level at which it was offered at the institution where it was earned. Two-year college work is accepted only as lower-division credit.

ARTS AND SCIENCES HOURS: At least 80 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BA degree. At least 55 semester hours of liberal arts and sciences courses are required for a BS degree.

MAJOR WORK: A minimum of 30 semester hours must be earned in the major, including a minimum of 15 credit hours at the upper-division level.

PASS/NO PASS ENROLLMENT: A maximum of 16 semester hours of free elective credit may be attempted under this option.

INDIVIDUAL STUDIES (e.g., courses titled "Independent Study"): A maximum of 12 total semester hours may be counted toward graduation, excluding Honors Reading and Honors Research.

P.E. COURSES: No physical education activity courses will be counted toward the 120 semester hours of acceptable credit for graduation.

SENIOR INSTITUTION HOURS: A minimum of 60 semester hours applied toward graduation must be earned at senior (4-year) institutions.

RESIDENCY:

- At least 15 of the final 30 hours applied toward the degree or at least 50 percent of the hours required by the institution in the major field must be satisfactorily completed at the awarding institution.
- At least 15 semester hours of upper-division major work must be completed in residence at OU.
- OU correspondence courses are ***not*** considered resident credit.
- Credits earned via examination are neither resident nor nonresident credit.

GRADE POINT AVERAGES: Students must earn a minimum overall 2.00 for each of the following: Combined Retention GPA (all college grades), OU Retention GPA, GPA for all major courses, and GPA for all major courses taken at OU. Some schools and departments of the College have higher minimum grade point averages required for their students.

SPECIAL DEGREES: Students may qualify for an Honors degree (cum Laude, Magna cum Laude, or Summa cum Laude) by completing specific requirements of the Honors College. A degree will be earned with Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.60 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA. A degree will be earned with Special Distinction if the student completes at least 60 semester hours at OU with at least a 3.90 combined retention GPA and OU retention GPA.

APPLICATION FOR GRADUATION: Students must apply for graduation during the term in which they complete their degree requirements in order to graduate in that term. Application forms are available from the College of Arts and Sciences Academic Services office, Ellison Hall, Room 124. The deadline for completion of all coursework to graduate in a particular term is the last day of classes in that term.

Refer to the OU General Catalog for more complete information.

Suggested Semester Plan of Study — English—Writing (Track 2) - B375 P696

This plan shows one possible grouping of courses that would allow students to graduate in four years. Please refer to the front of the degree checksheet for official requirements. Students must consult with College of Arts and Sciences and/or Department of English academic advisers to verify that courses selected each semester fulfill the recommended plan and satisfy university, College of Arts and Sciences, and English major requirements.

Year	FIRST SEMESTER	Hours	SECOND SEMESTER	Hours
FRESHMAN	ENGL 1113, Principles of English Composition (Core I)	3	ENGL 1213, Principles of English Composition (Core I), **or**	3
	HIST 1483, United States 1492-1865, **or**	3	EXPO 1213, Expository Writing (Core I)	
	1493, United States 1865-Present (Core IV)		P SC 1113, American Federal Government (Core III)	3
	MATH (Core I)	3	Beginning Foreign Language continued (Core I)	5
	Beginning Foreign Language (Core I)	5	Natural Science with lab (Core II)	4
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	**14**	**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS**	**15**
SOPHOMORE	ENGL 2313, Intro to Critical Reading & Writing	3	ENGL 2443, World Literature 1700 to Present, **or**	3
	ENGL 2433, World Literature to 1700, **or**	3	2653, English Literature 1700 to Present, **or**	
	2543, English Literature 1375 to 1700, **or**		2883, American Literature	
	2773, American Literature		ENGL Writing Major Requirement, lower-division	3
	Intermediate Foreign Language	3	Intermediate Foreign Language continued*	3
	Non-Western Culture (Core IV)	3	Natural Science without lab (Core II)	3
	Understanding Artistic Forms (Core IV)	3	Social Science (Core III)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	**15**	**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS**	**15**
JUNIOR	ENGL 3313, Intro to Literary & Cultural Studies	3	‡ENGL Literary & Cultural Studies Major Requirement, upper-division	3
	‡ENGL Literary & Cultural Studies Major Requirement, upper-division	3	ENGL Writing Major Requirement, upper-division	3
	ENGL Writing Major Requirement, upper-division	3	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	1
			Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	**15**	**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS**	**16**
SENIOR	‡ENGL Literary & Cultural Studies Major Requirement, upper-division	3	ENGL 4853, English Capstone Course (Capstone)	3
	ENGL Writing Major Requirement, upper-division	3	Humanities, upper-division, outside major (Gen. Ed.)	3
	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3	Free Elective, lower- or upper-division	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3	Free Elective, upper-division (3000-4000-level)	3
	TOTAL CREDIT HOURS	**15**	**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS**	**15**

*If deficient in computer literacy, contact your college academic counselor in the Hobson Academic Services Center, ELLH 124, 325-4411, for approved courses.

• A grade of C or better is required in the second semester of the intermediate-level foreign language course.

‡ English Literary & Cultural Studies courses must be chosen from at least two of the following six groups. At least one of the three courses taken from Groups I-VI must be a multicultural course from the following: 2713, 2733, 2743, 3253, 3283, 3343, 3353, 3433, 3453, 3483, 3643, 4033, 4283, 4323, 4343, 4373, or 4383. The six groups are as follows: Group I: **Medieval/Renaissance (ca. 1375–1700)**; Group II: **Early Modern & Contemporary British Literature (ca. 1700)**; Group III: **American Literatures**; Group IV: **World Literatures**; Group V: **Genres and Media**; and Group VI: **Theory, Criticism, and Cultural Studies**. Specific courses for each group are listed on the reverse side of this sheet.

Bachelor's degrees require a minimum of 48 hours of upper-division (3000-4000) coursework.
This plan of study should not be used in lieu of academic advisement.

Students who transfer from other institutions (particularly community colleges) must verify credit hour and course requirements with their college academic counselor, ELLH 124, 325-4411, **http://ou.edu/cas**. Please make an appointment for a degree check with your college academic counselor once you have earned 90 hours. Appointments may be scheduled at **https://iadvise.ou.edu/**.