

# ENGLISH

## About English

The Department of English offers a wide variety of courses covering three linked and overlapping areas: literature written in English; drama, including courses in dramatic literature and courses that introduce the student to the basic elements of theatrical performance; and cultural studies, including analysis of a variety of visual and verbal media. These three areas are integrally related, and all students in the English Department programs are invited to do work in all three, while concentrating in one of them.

**Note:** Students intending to apply for Honours, or who have already been accepted, should consult an Honours advisor regarding their course selections throughout their program.

For the most up-to-date information on departmental activities, detailed course descriptions, academic advising, and policies, visit the department's undergraduate studies page.

## Department of English Student Association (DESA)

The Department of English Student Association (DESA) is the representative body for the students of the English Department at McGill. Any student taking one or more courses in the Department is automatically a member.

## Available Programs

- English - Cultural Studies Honours (B.A.) (54 credits)
- English - Cultural Studies Joint Honours Component (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Cultural Studies Major Concentration (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Cultural Studies Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)
- English - Drama and Theatre Honours (B.A.) (54 credits)
- English - Drama and Theatre Joint Honours Component (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Drama and Theatre Major Concentration (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Drama and Theatre Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)
- English - Literature Honours (B.A.) (54 credits)
- English - Literature Joint Honours Component (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Literature Major Concentration (B.A.) (36 credits)
- English - Literature Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)
- Medieval Studies Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)
- World Cinemas Minor Concentration (B.A.) (18 credits)

## Admission Requirements to the Joint Honours Program – English Component

Applications will be considered by the Department's Honours Committee on the basis of the student's program GPA, at a minimum of 3.50. The application form is available from this link: [mcgill.ca/english/files/english/joint\\_honours\\_application.pdf](http://mcgill.ca/english/files/english/joint_honours_application.pdf) or in the Department's General Office (Arts Building, Room 155), and the specific submission requirements are described by that form. The application will take some time to prepare, and allowance for such preparation (at least

several weeks) must be made in order to meet the application deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Acceptance into Joint Honours English may be conditional on particular revisions to the Program Course Proposal to be submitted with the application form. This proposal goes on file in the General Office with the other submissions. Only course choices that are appropriate, given the nature of the Joint Honours program proposed, including the Honours Essay if applicable, will be approved. In order to graduate with Joint Honours, all subsequent course substitutions in the initially approved Joint Honours English program must be endorsed by the Joint Honours advisor when they are made (i.e., at the start of each term) and entered on the Program Course Proposal with the advisor's initialled approval.

For more information and to download the application form, please refer to the Department's Programs page.

## About the Medieval Studies Minor Concentration

The minor concentration in Medieval Studies facilitates undergraduate training in the interrelated branches of the discipline (e.g., history, literature, art history, languages, religion, philosophy), providing them with experience working in a field that is inherently interdisciplinary and a valuable credential should they choose to pursue graduate study in the field (in any area).

Further information for new and returning students is available on the Medieval Studies site and from the Program Director:

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## About World Cinemas Minor Concentration

The World Cinemas program was established to coordinate faculty expertise and student interest in different national and international cinematic traditions. It offers courses across various departments, primarily in Arts, in order to train students to approach film studies from a variety of traditions and locations, while introducing them to different modes of cinematic practice and production from around the world.

Further information can be found on the World Cinemas site.

## Location

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