

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS EDUCATION

Field endorsement to teach grades 6-12

If you love the beauty of language, and you have a desire to teach, consider turning those passions into a career as an English language arts teacher. You'll get to pass on the importance of effective communication to the next generation. You'll be eligible to teach subjects such as composition, literature, speech, theatre, communication, journalism, and reading in grades 6-12.

If you choose the English Language Arts Education field endorsement, you are not required to choose any other endorsements to receive your B.A. or B.S.

fast facts

Credit hours: 85

Students must also take 30 credit hours of General Studies courses. A total of 120 credit hours are needed to graduate from WSC. Additional majors or minors can be added to help meet graduation requirements.

Degree options: B.A. or B.S.

Departments: Language and Literature, Educational Foundations and Leadership

Schools: Arts and Humanities, Education and Behavioral Sciences

Popular pairings: Coaching, English as a Second Language (ESL)

focus on results

Skills Learned

- Advanced English grammar and writing
- Young adult literature
- Classroom strategies to teach the language arts
- Playwriting one-acts and full-length plays
- Acting and performance
- Literary analysis
- Newswriting and journalism
- Theatre production for high school
- Classroom management and leadership
- Presentation and public speaking

Possible Careers

- English teacher
- Language arts teacher
- Journalism teacher
- Literature teacher
- Theatre teacher
- Drama teacher
- In-house tutor
- Director or producer
- Journalist / news writer
- Playwright

Types of Employers

- Middle schools
- High schools
- Colleges and universities
- Publishing companies
- Newspapers and magazines
- Businesses and organizations
- Theatre companies
- Non-profit organizations
- Community programs
- Self-employment

outside the classroom



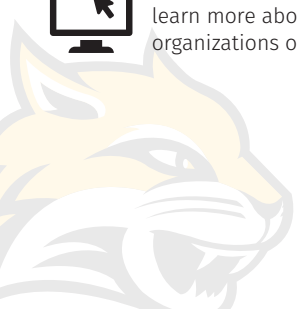
Visit www.wsc.edu/clubs to learn more about clubs and organizations on campus.

Activities / Opportunities

- Publications
- Northeast Nebraska Teacher Academy (NENTA)
- Study Abroad
- Writing competitions
- The Judas Goat
- The Nebraska Territory
- Plains Writers Series
- Poetry and fiction slams
- WSC Press

Clubs / Organizations

- Drama Club
- Film Club
- Forensics Team
- Lambda Pi Eta
- Literature Club
- Nebraska State Education Association (NSEA) Aspiring Educators
- Sigma Tau Delta (National English Honorary)
- Student Council for Exceptional Children (SCEC)
- The Wayne Stater



The following courses are required for the program of study described on this sheet. Every effort is made to ensure this information is current, but please be aware that some content may have changed. To develop a plan for registering and taking these courses, please consult the current academic catalog and your advisor.

Program courses

English Language Arts Content Courses (Reading, Language, Composition, Speech, Literature, Mass Media, Dramatic Arts, Journalism)

CNA T120/220/320/420 Theatre Workshop.....	2
CNA 223 Acting.....	3
CNA 280 News Writing.....	3
CNA 290 Editing and Copy Editing.....	3
CNA 302 Language and Human Behavior.....	3
CNA 432 Play Production for Secondary Schools.....	3
ENG 270 Critical Approaches to Literature.....	3
ENG 426 Linguistic Theory and Applications.....	3
ENG 441 Traditional English Grammar.....	1
ENG 442 Teaching Writing.....	2
ENG 443 Young Adult Literature.....	2
ENG 444 Developmental Reading in Middle and Secondary Schools.....	2
Select one of the following speech courses.....	3
CNA 140/240/440 Intercollegiate Forensics (0-3)	
CNA 447 Directing Communication Activities (3)	
Select one of the following speech courses.....	3
CNA 201 Small Group Communication (3)	
CNA 210 Interpersonal Communication (3)	
Select one of the following mass media courses.....	3
CNA 263 Introduction to Mass Communication (3)	
CNA 383 Film and Literature (3)	
Select one of the following composition courses.....	3
ENG 202 Poetry Workshop (3)	
ENG 203 Fiction Workshop (3)	
ENG 204 Creative Nonfiction Workshop (3)	
ENG 205 Play Writing/Screen Writing (3)	

Select one of the following literature courses.....	3
ENG 361 American Literature I (3)	
ENG 362 American Literature II (3)	
Select one of the following literature courses.....	3
ENG 371 British Literature I (3)	
ENG 372 British Literature II (3)	
Select one of the following literature courses.....	3
ENG 380 Shakespeare (3)	
ENG 381 Classical Mythology (3)	
ENG 382 The Bible as Literature (3)	
Select one of the following seminars.....	3
CNA 455 Senior Seminar in Communication Arts (3)	
ENG 480 Senior Seminar (3)	

Professional Education Courses

EDU 150 Introduction to Professional Education.....	3
EDU 245 Preparing for Level 2: Teacher Candidacy.....	0
EDU 250 Human Development and Cognition.....	3
EDU 275 PK-12 Instructional Design.....	3
EDU 409 Content Area Methods and Assessment (English).....	3
EDU 414 Content Area Practicum Experience.....	1
EDU 445 Preparing for Level 3: Clinical Practice.....	0
EDU 456 Clinical Practice and Seminar for the Secondary School....	12
SPD 302 Inclusion and Co-teaching in General Education.....	3
SPD 436 Classroom Management through Social Emotional Learning 7-12.....	3

Student learning outcomes

English programs

1. Analyze works of literature in English
2. Evaluate works of literature in English
3. Explain how social, philosophical, and cultural factors influence language
4. Demonstrate effective skills in written communication for a range of genres, purposes, and audiences

Education programs

- Teacher candidates who successfully complete an education preparation program at Wayne State will be able to:
1. Create environments that support individual and collaborative learning using knowledge of how students grow and develop, along with individual differences and diverse cultures. (InTASC Standards 1-3)
 2. Plan for instruction by applying content knowledge, a variety of instructional strategies, and multiple methods of

- assessment to connect concepts for learners in real-world applications. (InTASC Standards 4-8)
3. Engage in ongoing professional learning and use evidence to reflect on and adapt practice to meet the needs of each learner. (InTASC Standard 9)
 4. Seek leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with stakeholders, and to advance the profession. (InTASC Standard 10)

language and literature faculty



Visit www.wsc.edu/language-literature-department to learn more about the Department of Language and Literature.

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