Student Success Map for ENGLISH Literature & Cultural Studies Concentration

	First Year	Middle Years	Final Year
Create Classroom Success	 Meet with your Academic Advisor to review major requirements Take Composition I&II, World Literature I&II, Intro to Literature, and World Languages Tour the CORD to locate the Writing Center and tutoring 	 Find a faculty mentor and talk about career plans, research and/or grad school Check with your advisor on your progress Take Literature Surveys, Approaches to Critical Thinking about Lit and Culture, & electives 	 Meet with your Academic Advisor to confirm you are ready to graduate Take upper-level electives Design a resume and include all skills acquired
Find Campus Belonging	 Attend HillFest in September Read the "One Community, One Book" Join an RSO like Razorbook Club Attend department events Check out <i>The Diamond Line</i> 	 Increase your involvement in an RSO If eligible, join Sigma Tau Delta Attend department events 	 Mentor a first-year student Take on a leadership role in an RSO Attend department events
Make Local & Global Connections	 Find a service project on GivePulse Explore Study Abroad opportunities Explore internship opportunities 	 Study Abroad, consider the "Theatre in London" program Conduct research with a faculty member 	□ Attend a professional conference
Build Career Ready Skills	 Take the Career Readiness Inventory Find a student mentor Explore a minor or combined major in an area studies discipline, or double major 	 Complete the Career Launch program Explore the PACE microcertificate and/or UofA Career-Ready Badge Check-out on-campus jobs 	 Take the Career Readiness Inventory and First Destination Survey Explore LinkedIn Learning and level up your skills
Prep for Post- Graduation	 Talk to a Career Coach about on-campus and/or summer jobs Create LinkedIn & Handshake profiles Make an affordability plan with a financial aid counselor Apply for College and Dept. scholarships 	 Enroll in an English Undergraduate Internship course Complete a Challenge Card assessment Apply for College and Dept. scholarships 	 Conduct 3 career conversations Match your resume to the skills necessary for 3 careers Meet with a Career Coach and/or faculty member for assistance applying for grad programs or jobs Update your LinkedIn and Handshake profiles

Career Info for ENGLISH Literature & Cultural Studies Concentration

What are the UofA What skills does this major What graduate programs Career-Ready Skills? develop? do majors often go into? • Career and self-development English • Writing Communication Research Law • Critical approach to problem solving Critical thinking Education or Teaching • Equity and inclusion Medicine • Empathy • Leadership experience • Library and Archival or Information Science Evaluate ideas Professionalism Information literacy Business • Teamwork Cultural competence Comparative Literature Technology • Synthesize and communicate complex ideas Creative Writing

What careers do majors often go into?

- Write your own story! Your broad skillset gives you the agility to blaze paths in emergent fields.
- English majors are found in a wide variety of sectors, using their skills in research, government, nonprofits, education, media, law, healthcare, business development, human rights, social services, and other industries.
- Educator
- Lawyer
- Archivist or Librarian
- Publisher
- Development Officer
- Higher Education Administration
- Editor
- Scriptwriter
- Communication Director
- UX Writer
- Grant Writer
- Project Manager

How do I start to plan my career?

□ Complete the SparkPath Challenge Card activity online and then discuss your results with a career coach or career peer mentor. Talk about why it is important to you, how it relates to you and your previous experiences.

□ What organizations are working on it?

☐ Which of these organizations appeal to me? What role would I like to have with them?

□ What are my skills and how will I use them to work on this challenge?

□ What skills, knowledge and experience do I need to develop to contribute more to the challenge?

□ What is my plan to learn these things? Who can I connect with at the UofA for help?



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