

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS					Complete at JMU		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY				BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	Gen ED*	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNST 000	1-2		SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		ENG 235 or 247	3	Survey of English Literature or Survey of American Literature (either fulfills the early literature requirement)
WRTC 103	3	PUA	ENG 111 College Comp I	ENG 111 + ENG 112 = WRTC 103 + WRTC 000	ENG 299	3	Writing About Literature
	3	UA	ENG 112 College Comp II				
Major Requirement	3	PUA	ENG 255 or ENG 258	= ENG 239 World Literature or ENG 260 Survey of African American Literature	Intermediate and Advanced Studies Courses	21	Take at least five courses at the 300-level or higher and two additional courses at the 400-level. (This assumes you took at least three 200-level courses prior to transfer.) At least one of your Intermediate or Advanced Studies courses must fall into each of the three following areas: Pre-1700; Pre-1900; Identity, Diversity, Power
JMU General Education Requirements**	3	UA	PHI 100	= PHIL 101 (B.A. degree requirement)			
JMU General Education Requirements**	3	PUA	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)				
JMU General Education Requirements**	3	PUA	Any UCGS History	If you are considering teacher education, take HIS 121 or 122.			
JMU General Education Requirements**	4	PUA	Any UCGS Natural Sciences		Additional courses to reach 60 credits	33	English electives, other electives, or coursework toward a second major or minor(s)
JMU General Education Requirements**	3-4	PUA	Any UCGS Math				
JMU B.A. Degree Requirement	14	UA	Foreign Language (meets UCGS requirement)	English majors must complete foreign language through the intermediate level (=202 at VCCS or 232 at JMU)			

Major Requirements	6		<p>Select two:</p> <p>ENG 225 Reading Literature: Culture and Ideas</p> <p>ENG 245 British Literature</p> <p>ENG 246 American Literature</p> <p>ENG 250 Children’s Literature</p> <p>ENG 255 World Literature</p> <p>ENG 258 African American Literature</p> <p>ENG 275 Women in Literature</p>	<p>ENG 225 = ENG 221</p> <p>ENG 245 = ENG 221</p> <p>ENG 246 = ENG 221</p> <p>ENG 250 = ENG 222</p> <p>ENG 255 = ENG 239</p> <p>ENG 258 = ENG 260</p> <p>ENG 275 = ENG 222</p> <p>Take two of these 200-level courses to fulfill requirements at JMU (in addition to the ENG 255 or 258 already taken). You can use one ENG 221 or 222 equivalent toward your degree at JMU.</p> <p>If you are considering teacher education, take ENG 255, 258 and either ENG 245 or 246 (but not both).</p>			
Degree Requirements or Electives	12-14		Additional required courses or electives	<p>Use these credits for electives or courses toward a second major or minor at JMU. To learn about options, enter “majors” or “minors” into the search box on the JMU homepage. Students considering teacher licensure can take PSY 230 (=PSYC 160) and EDU 200 (=EDUC 200). For additional information, see our transfer guides for elementary education, secondary education, special education, etc.: https://www.jmu.edu/transfer/snapshots/index.shtml</p>			
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62					CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60		

* **A** = Completion of the Associate Degree satisfies this General Education Requirement. **U** = This course satisfies a Uniform Certificate of General Studies requirement.

P = This course satisfies a Passport requirement.

** Students who complete an approved transferable associate degree will qualify for a full waiver of general education requirements at JMU. Students who will not be earning an approved transferable associate degree should complete core community college requirements with courses that also satisfy area requirements in JMU’s general education program. For example, the WRTC 103 requirement can only be filled with ENG 111-112 at VCCS. Learn more about JMU general education equivalents offered at VCCS at www.jmu.edu/transfer/vccs-transfer/genedequiv.shtml. Email transferadvising@jmu.edu with questions.

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

Admission into the English major at James Madison University

Students who meet the requirements for guaranteed admission to JMU are guaranteed admission to the English major. This guidance may help with your planning:

- Students must complete an approved transferable associate degree from their Virginia community college with a minimum GPA of 3.0 for guaranteed admission to JMU. Students who do not qualify for guaranteed admission are encouraged to apply to JMU through the regular admission process. For additional details about requirements for guaranteed admission, please see the JMU letter of intent for your community college: www.jmu.edu/admissions/apply/transfer-gaa.shtml.
- Have you discovered a love of English later in your VCCS studies and don't have time to complete all the course recommendations on this guide? Thinking about adding English as a second major after transferring? That's great! The English major at JMU is flexible, so you do not need to have completed all these courses to complete the major within two years of transferring to JMU with your associate degree.
- Contact JMU's transfer advisors to learn about options: transferadvising@jmu.edu.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://www.jmu.edu/transfer/>
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** Students can notify JMU of their interest in transferring through College Connect at www.TransferVirginia.org. Transfer applicants from a VCCS institution intending to apply through the Guaranteed Admission Agreement (GAA) must submit a Letter of Intent prior to applying. Requirements and forms are available at: <https://www.jmu.edu/admissions/apply/transfer-GAA.shtml>.
- **Admission Application:** By March 1 for Fall or October 15 for Spring at <https://www.jmu.edu/admissions/apply/apply-online.shtml>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.jmu.edu/financialaid>
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** Deadline is March 1. Learn more at studentaid.gov.

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center at www.TransferVirginia.org.
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and James Madison University within your first year. College Connect available in your account at www.TransferVirginia.org

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

This degree focuses on important skills--reading, writing, analysis, reasoning, oral presentation--as well as on the historical roots of contemporary problems. It features a core course in writing

about literature (ENG 299) as well as two senior seminars. Internships are available and encouraged.

WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** An approved transferable associate degree from a Virginia Community College will waive general education requirements at JMU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** Students who complete a transferable associate degree from a Virginia Community College through Dual Enrollment will not be eligible for guaranteed admission but will receive the general education waiver at JMU. DE associate degree earners who want to make progress toward their intended major should follow the curriculum in this guide.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** Credit for prior learning may be awarded differently at JMU than at your previous institution. JMU accepts and reviews AP, IB CIE, and CLEP examinations for all students with eligible scores. JMU will complete an independent review of the test score to apply credit to your JMU student record. Other credit for prior learning is awarded on a per case basis for the ADP and RN-BSN programs in consultation with the department of expertise. Credit for learning acquired in military service is awarded by the registrar's office using the ACE guide credit recommendation for study/experience listed on the military transcript and in consultation with the department of expertise.

- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year determined by first semester of attendance at JMU

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

JMU is a mid to large size institution that behaves more like a smaller institution. Faculty and staff hold students as the top priority. JMU has a 96% satisfaction rate. 88% of classes have less than 50 students. JMU is the #1 most recommended public university in the US by the Wall Street Journal and Times Higher Education; JMU is the #1 Best College for Employment in Virginia according to U.S. Department of Education statistics compiled by Zippia. JMU has the highest post-graduation job levels of all Virginia colleges. Learn more about our college at www.jmu.edu and www.TransferVirginia.org.

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- There is no limit to the number of credits you can transfer to JMU, but 50% of the credits required for graduation in your major must be taken at a 4-year college or university, and 25% must be taken at JMU. (Most JMU majors require 120 credits, so 60 must come from a 4-year and 30 must be taken at JMU.)
- Completing your Associate transfer degree post-high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree.
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at JMU.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at www.TransferVirginia.org

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

Our graduates have recently won prestigious Fulbright Fellowships and taken jobs in such diverse fields as public health, journalism, social media management, rare book librarianship, marketing, non-profit management, and the like. Recent English majors have pursued graduate work at Duke University, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Notre Dame University, University of San Diego, Rice University, Florida State University, and at Harvard Law School.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Generally, two thirds of transfer applicants are admitted to JMU. Competitive applicants will have mostly As & Bs and have completed at least one class in each of our four core areas (English, mathematics, lab science, and social science).

- JMU defines a transfer student as a student that has graduated from high school (or holds a GED equivalency) AND has taken courses in college after high school graduation.
- Learn more about applying at <https://www.jmu.edu/transfer/> or www.TransferVirginia.org.

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

The English major is modest at 36 credit hours and allows students to manage double majors and minors. The Creative Writing minor is a popular program for English majors, but students can also combine the major with minors in African American and African Diaspora Studies; American Studies; Digital Humanities; Environmental Humanities; Latin American, LatinX and Caribbean Studies; Medical Humanities; Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies; and many others.