

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at ODU		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY		Notes	BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Notes
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 100	1-2	SDV 100 or 101		ENGL 307T	3	
ENGL 110C	3	ENG 111		ENGL 490	3	
ENGL 211C	3	ENG 112		ENGL 325, ENGL 333, or ENGL 370	6	Students will select two of the choices listed
General Education	3	Select one course from this list: ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258, ENG 275		ENGL 300W, 327W, 334W, or 427W	3	Students will select one of the choices listed Students must earn a C or better in the course
Gen Ed: Liberal Arts	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities		Literature and Cultural Studies Course	6	
Gen Ed: Human Behavior (S)	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)		Specific Major Requirements	18-39	Student must choose a major in the English degree plan: Applied Linguistics, Creativity Writing, Journalism, Literature, Technical Writing, or Secondary English Education
Gen Ed: Interpreting the Past (H)	3	Any UCGS History		300/400 Level Non-English Electives	6	
Gen Ed: Nature of Science (N)	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences with lab		Electives	0-15	Students may need to complete electives to meet the 120 minimum credits graduation requirement
Gen Ed: Mathematics	3-5	Any UCGS Math				
	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course				
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ENGL Electives	3	<p>Select one course from this list: ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258, ENG 275</p>				
ENGL 370 or ENGL 336	3-6	<p>Select 1-2 courses from this list: ENG 200 ASL 220 ENG 211 ENG 236</p> <p>Additional literature course from previous row</p>	Recommend ENG 200 or ENG 236			
	6	Ancillary Courses: Select 2 courses (6 credits) in fields complementary to English degree	Students who wish to major in English at ODU must complete foreign language through the intermediate level (= 202 at VCCS and ODU). Recommended that students begin FL requirement at VCCS			
		Additional transfer electives, if needed to meet 60 credits				
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60-66		

TRANSFER GUIDANCE

Guaranteed Admission Agreement to ODU

Students who meet the prescribed curriculum and the criteria below are guaranteed admission into Old Dominion University.

This agreement does not guarantee your enrollment in any specific major.

- Earn a transferable associate degree (Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Arts and Science, and Associate of General Studies at approved institutions only)
- Students may submit a [Letter of Intent](#) to Transfer after completion of 15 transferrable credits, 2.5 or higher GPA, and 90 days prior to graduation from a VCCS institution. The letter of intent is not required for admission to ODU.
- Graduate with a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
- Earn a grade of “C” or higher in each community college course applicable to the transfer-oriented associate degree program
- Enroll at ODU within one year of completing the transfer-oriented associate degree

Please visit the [TransferVirginia.org](#) portal to find course requirements for different majors (Transfer Tools) and **Transfer Guides** that outline course requirements for specific majors. (Resource Center)

See the [VCCS Transfer Programs](#) page for more details in our **Guaranteed Admission Agreement**.

Please create an account through the [www.TransferVirginia.org](#) portal and click College Connect to indicate your intent to use this guarantee for admission to Old Dominion University.

This transfer guide shows an optimal path to a bachelor’s degree in English at Old Dominion University. Completing the coursework above will position you to transfer to ODU in English with junior standing and the potential to graduate in two years. If you complete the associate degree but haven’t taken all of the recommended courses, you may still be able to pursue an English degree at Old Dominion University, but your time to graduation may be impacted.

IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://www.odu.edu/transfer>
- **Intent to Transfer (Optional):** Submit a Letter of Intent 90 days prior to graduation from a VCCS institution to ODU. You can review more information about the process at <https://www.odu.edu/transfer/guaranteed-admission>
- **Admission Application:** Priority deadline by August 1 for Fall Admission and by October 1 for Spring Admission. The application for admission can be found here: <https://www.odu.edu/apply/applications>

- **Financial Aid:** [ODU Financial Aid](#)
- **FAFSA -** [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#)

WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Connect with a pre-transfer advisor if you are considering transferring to ODU. Contact them at transfercenters@odu.edu during your final year at the VCCS.
- 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 Old Dominion University within your first year. College Connect available in your account at [www.TransferVirginia.org](#)

IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Students will develop the skills of critical thinking, creative problem solving, close reading, editing, and logical analysis.
- The department offers five majors: applied linguistics, creative writing, literature, technical writing and secondary-English education.
- This program trains students in multiple media and modalities for content creation

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

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** Lower Division General Education Requirements will be waived for transferable associate degrees. Students completing an AS in General Studies degree recognized by SCHEV are eligible for the waiver as long as they are completing a [transfer degree](#) approved by SCHEV at a VCCS.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The GAA at ODU applies to students who have earned an associate degree during high school. Students should apply as a freshman applicant and would be eligible for the benefits of the agreement, such as the lower division general education waiver, if admitted.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** ODU accepts credits from prior learning to include [AP](#), [IB](#), [CLEP](#), and [Cambridge Advanced A/S](#).
- **Catalog Year:** Undergraduate students may choose to graduate under the catalog in effect of their first enrollment at ODU or any subsequent catalog provided that the students graduate within six years from the date of first enrollment.

IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Old Dominion University’s waterfront campus is in the coastal city of Norfolk, VA, home to the world’s largest U.S. Navy base. From internship opportunities with some of the world’s top companies, to great shopping and dining, to beautiful beaches and historic sites, there’s always something to discover.
- ODU’s 337-acre campus, with 3 higher education centers off campus, is the region’s only public urban research university. It has both on-campus and off-campus housing options for almost 24,000 students, and a 16:1 faculty ratio.

- ODU is highly ranked among one of the best public higher education institutions in Virginia for Military Vets.
- Transfer students make up 40% of the undergraduate population.

Learn more about our college at www.TransferVirginia.org

DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- 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 ODU?

WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

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

PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- Some courses are offered in workshop settings with an opportunity to critique the work of their peers.
- There is a chance to study with published working writers and an annual poetry and fiction competition with cash prizes.

WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

As of current data from Fall 2024, ODU's acceptance rate for transfer students is approximately 99%.

Learn more about applying at www.TransferVirginia.org

DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- This program highlights fundamental and advanced skills. This degree program prepares students for a variety of careers in journalism, communications and media.
- There are multiple outlets where students can publish work, including the Mace & Crown, WODU, and HerCampus.
- Through their course of studies, our students become discerning, adaptable, articulate and empathetic citizens with a skill set that can take into a number of careers.

OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- Requires a minimum of 39 credit hours in English in addition to the English courses taken to satisfy the General Education requirements.
- Secondary English Education majors will include 33 credit hours in Professional Education courses in addition to the major requirements.