

# Radford University BA/BS in English, Professional Writing Concentration

## Associate Transfer Degree Plan in English

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at Radford University		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 100	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		ENGL 230 British Literature I OR ENGL 231 British Literature II	3	ENG 245 can count for either ENGL 230 or ENGL 231, but not both. You will still need to take half of the British Literature survey at Radford.
ENGL 111	3	ENG 111 College Comp I		ENGL 300 Introduction to English Studies	3	Should be taken as soon as possible after transferring to Radford.
ENGL 112	3	ENG 112 College Comp II	ENGL 112 is a prereq for most RU English courses.	ENGL 420 Introduction to Literary Criticism	3	Should be taken after ENGL 300.
ENGL 230 OR ENGL 231	3	ENG 245 British Literature	Major Requirement (Radford has a 6-credit British Literature survey sequence. ENG 245 can count for either ENGL 230 or ENGL 231, but not both.)	ENGL 496 Senior Seminar	3	Should be taken after ENGL 420 and in your final semester at Radford or (for English Ed concentrators) in the semester before starting the Teacher Education Program.
ENGL 240	3	ENG 246 American Literature	Major Requirement	One Literature Before 1825 Course	3	ENGL 431 Medieval Literature ENGL 433 Renaissance Literature ENGL 434 17th Century Literature ENGL 435 Restoration & 18th Century ENGL 437 Romanticism ENGL 442 Early American Literature
Gen Ed	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities		One Literature After 1825 Course	3	ENGL 438 Victorian Literature ENGL 439 Modern British Literature ENGL 443 The American Renaissance ENGL 444 American Realism ENGL 445 Modern American Literature ENGL 451 Contemporary Literature

Gen Ed	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (not History)		One Multicultural Literature Course	3	ENGL 446 Appalachian Folklore ENGL 447 Appalachian Literature ENGL 449 African American Literature ENGL 450 Native American Literature ENGL 453 Female Literary Tradition ENGL 454 Literature and the Environment
Gen Ed	3	Any UCGS History		One Advanced Author Study Course	3	ENGL 470 The Author in Context ENGL 472 Readings in Shakespeare  Students in the English Education concentration must satisfy this requirement with ENGL 472.
Gen Ed	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences		<i>Professional Writing Concentration:</i> ENGL 306 Professional Writing ENGL 308 Professional Writing Technologies ENGL 406 Topics in Professional Writing ENGL 407 Professional Editing	12	ENGL 306 must be taken before ENGL 406 or ENGL 407.
Gen Ed	3-5	Any UCGS Math		Additional Credits	24	At least 120 total credits are required for the bachelor's degree.  English Education concentrators will need to take 39-42 credits beyond the English major for licensure coursework and to complete the Teacher Education Program.
Gen Ed	3-4	Any UCGS transfer course	.			
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200-Level English Elective	3-6	Select 1-2 courses from this list: ENG 200 Introduction to Linguistics ASL 220 Comparative Linguistics: ASL & English ENG 211 Creative Writing ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story	English majors who do <b>not</b> pursue a concentration are allowed to count one 200-level, 3-credit English elective toward the 12 elective credits required for the English major.			

<p><i>English BA:</i> 6-8 Credits in One Foreign Language or in American Sign Language (ASL)</p> <p>OR</p> <p><i>English BS:</i> 6-8 Credits in Mathematics, Statistics, Communication, Information Science and Technology, any social science, and any natural/physical science</p>	6-8	Ancillary Courses: Select 2 courses (6-8 credits) in fields complementary to English degree.	<p>The <i>Bachelor of Arts</i> requires 6-8 credits in a single Foreign Language (Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Latin, Russian, Spanish) or in American Sign Language (ASL).</p> <p>The <i>Bachelor of Science</i> requires 6-8 credits beyond the REAL (General Education) curriculum in courses from the listed departments. English Education concentrators will fulfill this requirement through their teaching licensure coursework.</p>			
	8-16	Additional community college-specific transfer courses required for completion of associate degree.				
CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-62				CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 58-60 (75-78 for English Ed concentrators)		

# TRANSFER GUIDANCE

## Guaranteed Admission Agreement

By meeting the following criteria, students who complete the prescribed curriculum and meet the criteria below are guaranteed admission into Radford University and directly into English.

- Earn a transfer associate degree based on the English Curriculum
- Earn a minimum of 2.8 GPA for the associate degree
- Good academic standing at current institution

Please visit the [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org) portal to explore different majors (Transfer Tools) and Transfer Guides that outline course requirements for specific majors. (Resource Center).

## IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://admissions.radford.edu>
- **Admission Application:** By March 1 for priority fall admission and November 1 for priority spring admission at <https://www.radford.edu/admissions/apply/index.html>
- **Financial Aid:** <https://www.radford.edu/fin-aid>
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** <https://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](http://www.TransferVirginia.org)
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and Radford University within your first year. College Connect is available in your account at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org)

## IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- When we study English, we grow our capacity to understand others and to be understood by them. By analyzing the influential texts of multiple cultures, we develop our abilities to empathize and think critically. While designing our own texts, we learn to pursue topics we are passionate about with creativity and clarity. The strategies for asking questions and analyzing arguments that we practice in every class make English majors better citizens of the world, prepared to engage with their coworkers and communities as innovators and leaders.

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

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of the transfer-oriented degree program will satisfy the REAL Curriculum (lower division/general education) requirements. Students will need to complete all other University, college, and departmental requirements in order to obtain the baccalaureate degree from RU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** Students completing the associate degree in high school should apply using the freshman application. If admitted, the student will receive the benefits associated with the transferable associate degree (as noted prior).
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** Specific course credit will only be added to a student record once official scores are received and evaluated by the Office of Admissions. An official Joint Services Transcript should be sent for evaluation of specific military credit.
- **Catalog Year:** Students will be subject to the catalog in effect at the time of enrollment at RU unless otherwise requested.

## IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Main campus is located in the city of Radford and our Radford University Carilion campus is located in Roanoke. RU is well-known for strong faculty/student bonds, vibrant student life and a commitment to student support.
  - Situated in the stunning landscape of southwest Virginia, there are plenty of nearby opportunities to explore the outdoors.
  - With 70+ bachelor's degree programs across a variety of disciplines, the classes at Radford are hands-on and designed to help you prepare for your chosen career path.
  - Transfer students have the option to live on-campus or off-campus within the local area.
  - Over 80% of students receive some form of financial aid.
  - 16 Division I teams and 300+ student organizations.
- Learn more about our university at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://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 Radford University?

## WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

- Strong critical thinking and communication skills make English majors highly valuable and adaptable digital communications specialists, teachers, creative professionals, law students, and more.

Explore possible careers, salaries, and job outlook at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org)

## PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- After graduation, Radford English majors have successfully pursued law school, English graduate studies, MFA programs in creative writing, and jobs in social media marketing, teaching, communications, publishing, professional writing, and more.
- 100% of English Education concentrators admitted to the Teacher Education Program have achieved teaching licensure.

#### WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- Of students who apply, about 65% of transfer applicants are accepted to Radford University and about 80% of the entering transfer class comes from Virginia community colleges.

Learn more about applying at [www.TransferVirginia.org](http://www.TransferVirginia.org)

#### DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- With offerings in literary analysis, creative writing, education, professional writing, health humanities, and game design, Radford's English major gives students the opportunity to pursue their own passions. Our faculty also teach courses for interdisciplinary Radford programs such as African American Studies, Cinema and Screen Studies, eSports Services, and Women's and Gender Studies.
- Every English major develops an independent senior thesis project under the direct guidance of a faculty mentor.
- English majors interested in continuing their studies beyond the bachelor's degree can apply to Radford's English master's program or to the online Professional Writing certificate. Scholarships and stipends are available for many master's degree applicants.

#### OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- To count towards the English major, all coursework with an ENGL prefix must have earned a C- or higher.
- To graduate, a student must have an overall GPA of 2.0 or higher in the English major.
- English Education concentrators must also complete all courses for licensure and the Teacher Education Program.