

### COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete at VCCS				Complete at VCU		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		SATISFIED BY		BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
UNIV 101	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation		ENGL 301	3	
UNIV 111-112	3	ENG 111 College Comp I	UNIV 111 is waived and students receive 3 credits for UNIV 112.	ENGL 499	3	
UNIV 200	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		Select one ENGL course from the approved list of writing and criticism courses.	3	See VCU advisor for course options.
General Education	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities (Block II)		Select two ENGL courses from the approved list of literature courses prior to 1700.	6	See VCU advisor for course options.
General Education	3	Select one course from this list: ENG 225 Reading Literature: Culture and Ideas; ENG 245 British Literature; ENG 246 American Literature; ENG 250 Children's Literature; ENG 255 World Literature; ENG 258 African American Literature; ENG 275 Women in Literature		Select two ENGL courses from the approved list of literature courses between 1700 and 1945.	6	See VCU advisor for course options.
General Education	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science (Block III)		Select one ENGL course from the approved list of literature of diversity courses.	3	See VCU advisor for course options.
General Education	3	Any UCGS History (Block VI)		ENGL electives	6-9	Select required elective/optional focus credits in consultation with VCU advisor.

General Education	4	Any UCGS Natural Sciences (Block IV)		Electives	27-30	Discuss course options with your VCU advisor. Consider a second major or minor. Students must complete a total of 45 upper-level credits to graduate.
General Education	3-4	Any UCGS Math (Block V)	.			
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ENGL equivalent	3	Select one course from this list: ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258, ENG 275				
LING 390	3	ENG 200				
ENGL equivalent	3	Select one course from this list: ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 250, ENG 255, ENG 258, ENG 275, ENG 211, ENG 236				
VCU equivalents	6-8	Foreign language 101-102 (or transfer electives if eligible for a language waiver)	The foreign language requirement can be waived if students completed 3 or more years at high school.			
VCU equivalents	6-11	Additional transfer electives, if needed to meet 60 credits				
<b>CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60</b>				<b>CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60</b>		

## TRANSFER GUIDANCE

**This degree program is covered by VCU's Guaranteed Admission Agreement.**

**By meeting the following criteria, you are guaranteed admission to the BA in English:**

- Earn the transfer associate degree.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 2.5 for your associate degree. VCU will recognize the cumulative GPA as recorded on the VCCS transcript and not recalculate based on multiple course attempts.
- Complete a minimum of 30 credits at VCCS institution
- Earn grades of "C" or higher in all community college courses.

### IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- **University Transfer Center:** <https://transfer.vcu.edu/>.
- **Register Intent to Transfer:** <https://ugradadmissions.vcu.edu/register/letterofinterest>.

- **Admission Application:** By March 15 for fall admission and November 1 for spring at <https://www.vcu.edu/admissions/apply/>.
- **Financial Aid:** <https://semss.vcu.edu/our-services/financial-resources-and-guidance/>.
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** March 1 for fall semester at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>.

### WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Complete your English courses and start your math sequence in your first year.
- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered. 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 the VCU Transfer Center (<https://transfer.vcu.edu/>) in your first semester.

## IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

The Department of English teaches students to see their worlds with clarity and respond to them with sensitivity, through reading, writing, and critical thinking. Students gain the knowledge and skills to participate actively and conscientiously in the twenty-first-century global culture and the professional workplace. The Department fosters the deep reading of the traditional Anglophone canon as well as the literatures of diverse cultures and under-represented voices, it cultivates an appreciation of their aesthetic features and social functions, and it studies the crafts of creative and professional writing. By engaging in multiple media, learning a wide variety of rhetorical practices, and writing and editing academic and creative texts, students gain skills in critical and creative thinking increasingly recognized as essential by employers. They are prepared to participate in their historical and cultural moment, to speak with authority about the literatures of the past and present, and to produce substantial creative and professional communication of their own. Students have the option to pursue minors in creative writing or professional writing and editing. They also have the opportunity for meaningful experiential learning, whether through internships, independent studies, or pursuit of the department's Distinguished Majors program.

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

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** The completion of a transfer associate degree results in all lower-division general education requirements being met when you transfer to VCU.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** The completion of an associate degree concurrent with high school results in 60 credits of coursework applied towards your degree and VCU's general education courses will be satisfied. High school students must apply to VCU as freshman applicants for orientation and engagement purposes.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** VCU accepts AP, IB, Cambridge, CLEP, DANTES, and military credits.
- **Catalog Year:** VCU will honor the degree requirements of the VCU Undergraduate Bulletin in effect at the time of the student's first post-high school enrollment into an appropriate associate degree at the two-year institution. Students must stay enrolled at their community college and take no more than four years to complete their associate degree. Students must also enroll at VCU within one year of completing their associate degree.

## IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Located in downtown Richmond, within two hours of the beach, the mountains and Washington DC, VCU provides top-ranked academic programs, research opportunities and an urban setting so students can live and learn in the real world.
- VCU is a large, public research institution dedicated to the success and well-being of students and the Richmond community.
- Diversity, inclusion and equity are deeply ingrained core values at VCU. If you are looking to connect with a broad range of people, come join us!

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

## DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your associate transfer degree satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the likelihood you will complete your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college could exhaust your financial aid there and reduce your future financial aid at VCU?

## WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

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

## PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

The Department of English has a range of course offerings—from traditional, canonical courses (e.g. Shakespeare) to literature of diversity (e.g. Multiethnic Literature; Black Women Writers; African American Literature) to contemporary genres and authors (e.g. Popular Cultural Studies; Fan Fiction). It also has a host of courses in creative writing, professional writing and digital rhetoric.

## WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

If you apply through general application instead of through the Guaranteed Admission Agreement, you will be considered for admission with all other transfer applicants.

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

## DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

The Department of English offers an accelerated B.A. to M.A. program that allows qualified students to earn both the B.A. and M.A. in English in a minimum of five years by completing approved graduate courses during the senior year of their undergraduate program.

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

All students must complete at least one VCU "REAL" experiential learning activity in order to graduate from VCU. Examples of REAL activities include: internships, research, and service learning. This requirement may be satisfied by completing a 300-level (or higher) REAL course or through an approved REAL co-curricular experience.

Learn more at <https://real.vcu.edu/>.