

GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY — B.F.A. IN ENGLISH WITH A CONCENTRATION
EXAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN: 2023-24

Freshman Year: CHSS 101 First Year Experience recommended as 1 credit elective

Semester 1	15 Credits
English 101 Composition	3
Philosophy or Religious Studies	3
Quantitative Reasoning	3
Elementary Foreign Language 1*	3
History 125	3

Semester 2	15 Credits
English 201, 202, 203, or 204	3
Elementary Foreign Language 2*	3
English 301: Fields of English	3
Information Technology	3
Non-western Culture	3

Sophomore Year: Submit Internal Application to BFA

Semester 3	16 Credits
ENGH 305: Dimensions Writ/Lit	3
Intermediate Foreign Language 1*	3
COMM 101	3
ENGH 396: Intro Creative Writing	3
Natural Science (lab)	4

Semester 4	15 Credits
ENGH 302: Advanced Composition	3
ENGH 397: Poetry Writing	3
ENGH 398: Fiction Writing	3
Intermediate Foreign Language 2	3
Social and Behavioral Science	3

Junior Year: Research Opportunities with Watershed Lit

Semester 5	15 Credits
Minority / Folk / Popular Lit	3
ENGH 399: Creative Nonfiction	3
CHSS Social Science	3
Global Understanding	3
Natural Science (non-lab)	3

Semester 6	15 Credits
ENGH 377: Digital Writing	3
Pre-1915 Literature	3
Concentration Forms Course	3
Elective	3
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Summer: excellent time to look into internship options**
and/or apply for funded research for credit. Visit OSCAR.GMU.EDU

Senior Year

Semester 7	15 Credits
Advanced Concentration Course	3
Concentration Literature Course	3
Pre-1800 Literature	3
Electives	6

Semester 8	14 Credits
BFA Writing/Literature Elective	3
ENGH 495: Capstone	3
General Electives	8

Elective restrictions: Only 400- MLSC courses can be used for credit towards degree; other MLSC courses will not receive credit. 3 credits max of 100-level RECR may be applied toward student's general electives.

* There are many pathways towards satisfying intermediate proficiency in a foreign language. Consult advisor for alternatives.

** Internship strongly recommended

Keep in Mind:

- This is only an example. We encourage you to consult your advisor at least once each semester for individualized academic planning.
- The department offers exemption options for ENGH 101 and ENGH 302
- There are "double-dipping" opportunities in these categories: Arts, Non-western culture, Global Understanding, Social Science, and Phil/Religious studies. Ask your advisor for more info.