

English, Creative Writing, BA

Placement Exams for the Major:

1. MAT 1010 will fulfill the math requirement for this major. You can register for MAT 1010 regardless of your SAT/ACT score. However, your major suggests starting your Science Inquiry (SI) in your first semester and most SI courses require a Math Placement score or exemption based on SAT/ACT scores. If your SAT/ACT MAT was less than 550/22, take the online [Math Placement Test](#) as soon as possible and prior to registering for classes.
2. [Language Placement](#)- You must take a foreign language sequence of classes for this major and therefore need to take a language placement test.

First-Year Student Course Recommendations:

1. Enroll in **Foreign Language 1010** (If test out of this level, take appropriate level)
2. RC 1000 or UCO 1200 if there are seats available. If not, it's fine to take both classes in the spring semester.
3. Choose a General Education ***Science Inquiry (SI)**. **Enroll in one SI course.**
4. Enroll in any **Sustainability & Climate Literacy (SCL)**, **Intercultural Literacy (ICL)**, and/or **Humanity & Its Systems (HUM)** Gen Ed courses. Note: LS designation can be met with several 2000-level English courses, several of which count as a major elective. See note below.

[Having trouble registering?](#)

- Review the [Student Self-Service Guide](#) for Registration instructions and videos.
- If the courses above are closed, [add yourself to waitlists](#).
- Then add appropriate classes from page 2 of the [2025-2026 Checksheet](#) until you have registered for 12-15 total hours.
- Use the [Gen Ed Requirements in the Bulletin](#) to look up Gen Ed course descriptions.
- Use this [Course Prefixes/Subjects list](#) to know which subject to choose in the Class Search in AppalNet.
- Rewatch the [Gen Ed video in PREP](#) to better understand the Categories and Designations components of Gen Ed.
 - All English Literary Studies: ENG xxxx (LS) designation courses have a prerequisite of R C 1000, First Year Writing (R C = Rhetoric & Composition.)
- BOONE CAMPUS students: Here is a [color-coded 2-page General Education checksheet](#) (updated 3x/day) that shows which Boone Campus Gen Ed classes have open seats.

*Note that some science courses need to be taken sequentially (in order). Chemistry Connections, The Physics of our Technological World, and Physics with Calculus are not encouraged for this major because they are required for other majors.

**Plan to complete your designations FA (Fine Arts), HS (Historical Studies), Literary Studies (LS) or SS (Social Science) throughout your chosen SCL, ICL, and HUM Gen Ed Categories. Note: The English (ENG) LS designation courses have a prerequisite of RC 1000.

Alternative Courses for Your First Semester:

Can't get into the classes above? Try these:

- Choose a General Education *****Quantitative Literacy** course. (see Math Placement note above)
- Choose a General Education Wellness Literacy course
- Continue to focus on Page 2 of the General Education Checksheet (see link above), including the Fine Arts (FA) and Historical Studies (HS) designations which will not be met with major courses.

***Consider choosing MAT 1010 for the Quantitative Literacy for this major.

Have you built a 14-16 hour schedule using the classes above?

Are you looking for a class to help you build your skills to be successful in college and help you adjust to college life? Check out these elective courses: [College Success Seminar](#) and [Academic Success Courses](#).