

**FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS**

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

The English program is designed to develop a student's ability to read literature responsibly and imaginatively, to foster an understanding and appreciation of our literary inheritance and to provide the historical perspective from which to evaluate contemporary writing and to produce it. Students who complete the program in English are expected to have mastered the ability to express their ideas in creative work. Many graduates go on to postgraduate study, not only in writing, film studies and literature, but to schools of medicine, law, education, journalism and business.

**ACADEMIC ADVISING**

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) supports students to graduation using a shared advising system. CLAS students have two academic advisors with whom they should meet regularly to discuss academic and degree progress: a CLAS Academic Advisor and a major/faculty advisor.

*For questions related to CU Denver Core Curriculum, CLAS, general graduation requirements, university/college academic policies, or campus resources contact:*

**CLAS Academic Advising**  
[clas\\_advising@ucdenver.edu](mailto:clas_advising@ucdenver.edu)  
Visit the CLAS Advising website [here](#)  
North Classroom (NC) Building 1030  
303-315-7100

*For questions related to major requirements, major course prerequisites, or evaluation of transfer coursework in your major contact:*

**Maryann Hoffmann or Mike McLane**  
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[michael.mclane@ucdenver.edu](mailto:michael.mclane@ucdenver.edu)  
Visit the department website [here](#)  
Ninth Street Park, 1015 9<sup>th</sup> Street  
303-315-7830

*For questions about admission requirements, transfer policies, applying, and the transfer process contact:*

**Office of Admissions**  
[admissions@ucdenver.edu](mailto:admissions@ucdenver.edu)  
Visit the Admissions website [here](#)  
Student Commons 1007  
303-315-2601

**GENERAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS & POLICIES**

*All CU Denver CLAS students are required to complete the following minimum general graduation requirements to be eligible to apply for graduation:*

1. Complete a minimum of 120 semester hours
2. Achieve a minimum 2.0 CU cumulative grade point average (GPA)
3. Complete a minimum of 45 upper-division (3000- to 4000-level) semester hours
4. Complete all CU Denver Core, CLAS, and major requirements
5. Complete a minimum of 30 CLAS hours at CU Denver

*The following are **maximum** semester hours that can apply toward the minimum 120 hours required for graduation:*

- 56 semester hours in major department/prefix courses
- 16 semester hours Pass/Fail
- 12 semester hours of Independent Study/Directed Research
- 12 semester hours of internship credit
- 8 semester hours of physical education credit

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**The following program requirements are based on degree requirements for the current Catalog year at CU Denver and are subject to change. Students are responsible for completing degree requirements based on the Catalog year for which they are admitted.**

**Students are responsible for meeting with the major/faculty advisor in the department to confirm major requirements.** In addition to completing all CU Denver Core and CLAS requirements, students completing the English Creative Writing B.A. Degree are required to complete the following minimum program requirements:

1. Students must complete a minimum of 39 ENGL credit hours. ENGL 1010, 1020 and 2030 do not apply to the major.
2. Students must complete a minimum of 27 upper division (3000-level and above) ENGL credit hours.
3. Students must earn a minimum grade of C- (1.7) in all major courses taken at CU Denver and must achieve a minimum cumulative major GPA of 2.0. All graded attempts in required and elective courses are calculated in the major GPA. Students cannot complete major or ancillary course requirements as pass/fail.
4. Students must complete a minimum of 15 ENGL upper-division (3000-level or above) credit hours with CU Denver faculty.
5. Internship/cooperative education courses may be counted toward the major for students who have completed over 60 credit hours.
6. Students are not to exceed 56 English credit hours (any level).
7. Double majors in English and English Writing are exempt from the 56-hour rule and must complete 63 hours total for both majors.
8. The English Department also offers minors in Film Studies, Literature, and English Writing, Rhetoric, and Technology. Courses counted in a minor cannot be counted toward the major.
9. Latin Honors may be earned by participating in the department's Honors Program. You are encouraged to begin the program in your junior year. The program requires additional coursework and affords you the opportunity to work individually with the professor of your choice. Handouts are available in the English office.

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**COURSEWORK THAT CAN BE COMPLETED AT PREVIOUS INSTITUTION**

The following is a “bucket” of requirements students can complete prior to transferring to CU Denver, including equivalent Colorado Community College System (CCCS) courses. To determine the equivalencies of courses to be completed at non-CU Denver institutions, students can visit [www.transferology.com](http://www.transferology.com). **It is critical students connect with a CU Denver academic advisor to ensure planned courses will transfer *and* apply to CU Denver degree requirements.** All non-CU Denver coursework must be completed with a C- or better to be eligible for transfer.

Students interested in completing an Associate (A.A. or A.S.) Degree or a [Colorado Statewide Transfer Articulation Agreement or Degree with Designation \(DWD\)](#) must work with their community/junior college academic advisor to create an academic plan that accounts for all degree or transfer articulation agreement requirements. Colorado Community College Students may also explore the option to complete [Reverse Transfer](#) at CU Denver.

CU Denver Requirements	CU Denver Credits	CCCS Equivalent Courses & Notes	CCCS Credits
<b>CU Denver Core Curriculum Requirements</b>	<b>34 - 40</b>		
ENGL 1020 – Core Composition I	3	ENG 121	
ENGL 2030 – Core Composition II	3	ENG 122	
Mathematics	3 - 4	MAT 120 <i>recommended</i> or GT-MA1	
Arts	3	GT-AH	
Humanities	3	GT-AH or GT-HI	
Behavioral Sciences	3 - 4	GT-SS	
Social Sciences	3 - 4	GT-SS or GT-HI*	
Natural/Physical Science with lab	4 - 5	GT-SC1	
Natural/Physical Science without lab or Math	3 - 5	GT-SC2 or GT-MA1 ( <i>except the course used for Core Math</i> ) or GT-SC1	
International Perspectives	3	Additional GT-AH, HI, SS* ( <i>see note below</i> )	
Cultural Diversity	3	<i>To be completed at CU Denver. This requirement must be completed with an upper-division course and CCCS courses will not apply.</i>	
<b>CLAS Graduation Requirements</b>	<b>15 - 29</b>		
CLAS Communicative Skills	3	COM 115 or PHI 113	
CLAS Second Language	0 - 10	e.g., SPA 112 or ASL 122 <i>Students have several options to fulfill this requirement. Please consult a CU Denver CLAS Academic Advisor.</i>	
CLAS Humanities	3	ENG 221 or 222 or any transferrable LIT, HIS, HUM, or PHI course	
CLAS Behavioral Sciences	3 - 4	Any transferrable ANT, COM, or PSY course ( <i>except GT-SC courses</i> )	
CLAS Social Sciences	3 - 4	Any transferrable ECO, ETH, GEO, POS, or SOC course ( <i>except GT-SC courses</i> )	
CLAS Biological/Physical Science with lab	3 - 5	GT-SC1 <i>If students complete only one science course with a lab for the CU Denver Core Curriculum, this course must have an associated lab.</i>	
<b>Minimum Applicable Transfer Credits Recommended:</b>	<b>60</b>	<i>Students completing less than 60 applicable transfer credits will have additional credits to complete at CU Denver. Students needing general elective credits should consult a CU Denver CLAS Academic Advisor.</i>	

\*The applicability of Guaranteed Transfer (GT Pathways) courses to specific CU Denver Core Curriculum requirements requires completion of a block of five courses: two GT-AH courses; one GT-HI course; one GT-SS course; and one additional GT-AH, GT-HI, or GT-SS course.

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### SAMPLE PLAN – COURESWORK TO BE COMPLETED AT CU DENVER

Based on successful completion of 60 applicable transfer credits and the complete “bucket” of requirements outlined above, students would have the following remaining to complete at CU Denver. At CU Denver, students must tailor this plan based on the evaluation of previously completed college coursework (e.g., AP, IB, CLEP, dual/concurrent enrollment, and transfer credit), course availability, individual preferences related to course load, summer term courses, part-time or full-time student status, or add-on programs such as minors or double-majors.

**Note: this plan assumes students have completed the CLAS Second Language proficiency requirement.** Students must demonstrate second language proficiency through a 2<sup>nd</sup> semester college-level course equivalent (e.g., SPA 112 or ASL 122) with a C- or higher, satisfactory proficiency testing (CU Denver Department of Modern Languages Placement Testing, BYU FLATS, CLEP), or submitting their high school transcript demonstrating completion of a 2<sup>nd</sup> year (Level II) high school course with a minimum grade of “C-” (1.7) in the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year or later. Students may have additional options to fulfill this requirement and should consult a CU Denver CLAS Academic Advisor. **Students who have not fulfilled this requirement must work with a CU Denver CLAS Academic Advisor to modify this plan.**

**Students must not exceed 56 hours in their major prefix.**

Year Three	Fall	CRS
	ENGL 2450 <sup>PR</sup>	3
	ENGL 3020	3
	CU Denver Core Cultural Diversity	3
	ENGL Upper-Division Elective	3
	General Upper-Division Elective	3
	<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>

Spring		CRS
ENGL 3050		3
Poetry or Fiction Required Course		3
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ENGL Upper Division Elective		3
General Elective		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

Year Four	Fall	CRS
	Poetry or Fiction Required Course	3
	ENGL Upper-Division Elective	3
	ENGL Upper-Division Elective	3
	General Upper-Division Elective	3
	General Elective	3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>15</b>	

Spring		CRS
ENGL 4820 <sup>PE</sup> or 4850 <sup>PE</sup>		3
ENGL Upper-Division Elective		3
ENGL Upper-Division Elective		3
General Upper-Division Elective		3
General Elective		3
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

<sup>M</sup> Major Course Available    <sup>C</sup> CU Denver Core Course    <sup>PE</sup> Prerequisite Enforced    <sup>PR</sup> Prerequisite Recommended