

# DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGE, LITERATURE, AND ARTS

## Department Description

Language, Literature, and Arts is a multidisciplinary department comprising undergraduate programs in English and Spanish, a Master of Arts program in English, and a minor in Creative Arts and Performance Studies. This department administers the Writing, Language, and Digital Composing Center, the Writing Across the Curriculum Program, the First-Year Composition Program, and the Integrated Reading and Writing Program, and it contributes to the University's Core Curriculum, interdisciplinary minors, and teacher certification programs.

## Commitments

The Department of Language, Literature, and Arts fosters students' critical engagement with and production of linguistic, visual, and musical works. Faculty facilitate this engagement through antiracist and decolonial pedagogies that support interdisciplinary teaching and experiential learning to develop students' translingual and transcultural literacies. These pedagogies align with curricular and co-curricular programs that build reciprocal relationships with our community. These relationships prepare students to apply their knowledge in public and professional contexts to effect positive social change in and beyond South Texas. Through this work, we support students as they move forward into a range of rewarding careers, including those as educators responsive to our region.

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## Programs

- Creative Arts and Performance Studies, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/creative-arts-and-performance-studies-minor/>)
- English with Teacher Certification, Bachelor of Arts (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/english-teacher-certification-ba/>)
- English, Bachelor of Arts: Literature Emphasis (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/english-ba-literature-emphasis/>)
- English, Bachelor of Arts: Rhetoric and Writing Emphasis (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/english-ba-rhetoric-writing-emphasis/>)
- English, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/english-minor/>)
- Spanish with Teacher Certification, Bachelor of Arts (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/spanish-teacher-certification-ba/>)
- Spanish, Bachelor of Arts (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/spanish-ba/>)
- Spanish, Minor (<https://catalog.tamusa.edu/undergraduate/arts-sciences/language-literature-arts/spanish-minor/>)

## Courses Arts

Code	Title	Credits
ARTS 1301	Art Appreciation	3
ARTS 1302	LatinX Art Appreciation	3
ARTS 1311	Principles & Elements of Design	3
ARTS 2316	Painting	3
ARTS 2323	Drawing	3
ARTS 2356	Photography	3
ARTS 3301	Intermediate Studio Art	3
ARTS 4301	Advanced Studio Art	3

## Creative Arts and Performance Studies

Code	Title	Credits
CAPS 4301	Topics in Creative Arts and Performance Studies	3

## English

Code	Title	Credits
ENGL 1300	Integrated Reading & Writing	3
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
ENGL 2311	Technical Writing	3
ENGL 2312	Borderland Rhetorics	3
ENGL 2314	Writing for the Professions	3
ENGL 2321	Themes & Genres British Lit	3
ENGL 2326	Literature of the Americas	3
ENGL 2331	Intro to World Literature	3
ENGL 2344	Introduction to Fiction	3
ENGL 2345	Introduction to Drama	3
ENGL 2346	Introduction to Poetry	3
ENGL 2355	Children's Literature	3
ENGL 2370	Intro to English Studies	3
ENGL 2388	Introduction to Visual Studies	3
ENGL 3300	Special Topics in Writing	3
ENGL 3302	History of Text Technologies	3
ENGL 3303	Professional Editing	3
ENGL 3312	Introduction to Rhetoric	3
ENGL 3315	Introd to Critical Theory	3
ENGL 3317	Grammar and Style	3
ENGL 3320	Writing in the Humanities	3
ENGL 3322	Medieval Literature	3
ENGL 3325	Early Modern Literature	3
ENGL 3327	Restoration & 18th Literature	3
ENGL 3331	Intersectional Shakespeare	3
ENGL 3342	Romantic Literature	3
ENGL 3344	Victorian Literature	3
ENGL 3346	20th/21st Century Global Anglophone Literature	3
ENGL 3351	Mexican Amer Lit & Culture	3
ENGL 3362	Early American Literature	3
ENGL 3363	American Romanticism	3
ENGL 3364	American Lit 1865-Prog Era	3

ENGL 3366	20th/21st Century Amer Lit	3	SPAN 4319	Hispanic Culture	3
ENGL 3376	Mythology	3	SPAN 4320	Topics in Span Literature	3
ENGL 3380	African Amer Lit & Culture	3	SPAN 4321	Language Teaching Methods	3
ENGL 4102	PPS:Teaching Certification	1	SPAN 4322	Advanced Spanish Composition	3
ENGL 4301	Advanced Technical Writing	3	SPAN 4323	Special Topics in Language and Culture	3
ENGL 4310	Introd to Linguistics	3	SPAN 4325	Digital Humanities and Latinx Storytelling	3
ENGL 4312	Intro to Composition Studies	3			
ENGL 4330	Topics in Creative Writing	3			
ENGL 4340	Research Mthds-Rhetoric/Writng	3			
ENGL 4341	Internship	3			
ENGL 4342	Rhetoric and Culture	3			
ENGL 4343	Grant Writing	3			
ENGL 4344	Digital Culture and Media	3			
ENGL 4365	Col and 19th Century Amer Lit	3			
ENGL 4370	Special Topics in English	3			
ENGL 4375	Studies in Women's Literature	3			
ENGL 4386	Topics in Black Studies	3			
ENGL 4388	Topics in Latinx Studies	3			
ENGL 4392	Teaching English Language Arts	3			
ENGL 4395	Visual Studies	3			
ENGL 4398	Senior Seminar	3			

## Music

Code	Title	Credits
MUSI 1303	Fundamentals of Music	3
MUSI 1306	Music Appreciation	3
MUSI 2301	Women in Music	3
MUSI 3301	University Voices	3
MUSI 3302	Mariachi Ensemble	3
MUSI 3311	Voice Class	3
MUSI 3315	Music Theory	3
MUSI 4301	Topics in Music Studies	3

## Spanish

Code	Title	Credits
SPAN 1311	Elementary Spanish I	3
SPAN 1312	Elementary Spanish II	3
SPAN 1313	Spanish Heritage Learners I	3
SPAN 1315	Spanish Heritage Learners II	3
SPAN 2311	Intermediate Spanish I	3
SPAN 2312	Intermediate Spanish II	3
SPAN 2313	Spanish Heritage Learners III	3
SPAN 2315	Spanish Heritage Learners IV	3
SPAN 2320	Intro to Spanish Lang-Literat	3
SPAN 2321	Conversational Spanish	3
SPAN 3301	Advanced Spanish Grammar	3
SPAN 3302	Writing for Wide Audiences	3
SPAN 3311	Professional Spanish	3
SPAN 3320	Literacy and Language in Latinx Communities	3
SPAN 3321	Survey Spanish Peninsular Lit	3
SPAN 3331	Latin American Film History	3
SPAN 3361	Survey Spanish-American Lit	3