

# English and Graphic and Information Design, BA

The Department of English and the Department of Art + Design offer an interdisciplinary combined major in English and graphic and information design. Students interested in the combined major in English and graphic and information design integrate the study of literature and writing with the design of message and meaning, integrating text, image, and data.

## Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

## Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

## BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

## NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

## English Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
<b>English Course-Level Requirement</b>		
In addition to the capstone, two of the courses chosen from the lists below must be numbered 3000–4999.		
<b>Introduction to College</b>		
ENGL 1000	English at Northeastern	1
<b>Foundational Courses</b>		
ENGL 1160 or ENGL 1410	Introduction to Rhetoric Introduction to Research on Writing	4
ENGL 1400	Introduction to Literary Studies	4
<b>Diversity</b>		
Complete one of the following courses. This course may also be used to fulfill an additional English requirement below:		4
ENGL 2296	Early African-American Literature	
ENGL 2450	Postcolonial Literature	
ENGL 2455	American Women Writers	
ENGL 2760	Writing in Global Contexts	
ENGL 3685 or JWSS 3685	Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature	
<b>Pre-1850 Literature</b>		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENGL 1600	Introduction to Shakespeare	
ENGL 1700	Global Literatures 1	
ENGL 2296	Early African-American Literature	
<b>Post-1850 Literature</b>		

Complete one of the following:

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ENGL 2301	The Graphic Novel
ENGL 2330	The American Renaissance
ENGL 2440	The Modern Bestseller
ENGL 2600	Irish Literary Culture (Abroad)
ENGL 3685 or JWSS 3685	Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature Modern and Contemporary Jewish Literature
ENGL 3730	20th- and 21st-Century Major Figure
ENGL 2420	Contemporary Poetry
ENGL 1502	American Literature to 1865
ENGL 2430	Contemporary Fiction
ENGL 2450	Postcolonial Literature
ENGL 2455	American Women Writers
ENGL 2600	Irish Literary Culture (Abroad)

**Theories and Methods**

Complete one of the following:

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ENGL 1140	Grammar: The Architecture of English
ENGL 1160	Introduction to Rhetoric
ENGL 1410	Introduction to Research on Writing
ENGL 3325	Rhetoric of Law
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text
ENGL 3381	The Practice and Theory of Teaching Writing
ENGL 3700	Narrative Medicine
LING 1150	Introduction to Language and Linguistics
LING 2350	Linguistic Analysis
LING 3450	Syntax
LING 3452	Semantics
LING 3454	History of English
LING 3456	Language and Gender
ENGL 1450	Reading and Writing in the Digital Age
LING 3458	Topics in Linguistics
ENGL 2510	Horror Fiction
ENGL 2520	Science Fiction
ENGL 2690	Boston in Literature
ENGL 2620	What Is Nature?
ENGL 3487	Film and Text (Abroad)

**Major Seminar**

ENGL 3710	Major Seminar	4
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**Writing**

Complete one of the following:

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ENGL 2700	Creative Writing
ENGL 2710	Style and Editing
ENGL 2740	Writing and Community Engagement
ENGL 2760	Writing in Global Contexts
ENGL 2770	Writing to Heal
ENGL 2780	Visual Writing
ENGL 2850	Writing for Social Media: Theory and Practice
ENGL 3375	Writing Boston
ENGL 3376	Creative Nonfiction
ENGL 3377	Poetry Workshop
ENGL 3378	Fiction Workshop
ENGL 3380	Writing Seminar
ENGL 3384	The Writer's Marketplace

**Capstone**

ENGL 4710	Capstone Seminar	4
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**English Electives**

Complete two additional ENGL electives.	8
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**Graphic and Information Design Requirements**

Code	Title	Hours
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**Art and Design at Northeastern**

ARTF 1000	Art and Design at Northeastern	1
or ENGL 1000	English at Northeastern	

**Art and Design Fundamentals Required**

ARTF 1220	Elements of Visual Composition (with optional ARTF 1221)	2
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**Art and Design Fundamentals Elective**

Complete three of the following:	6
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ARTF 1200	Representational Drawing	
ARTF 1210	Abstract Drawing	
ARTF 1230 and ARTF 1231	Making with Form and Materials and Making with Form and Materials Tools	
ARTF 1240 and ARTF 1241	Making with Video, Sound, and Animation and Making with Video, Sound, and Animation Tools	
ARTF 1250 and ARTF 1251	Designing Interactive Experiences and Designing Interactive Experiences Tools	

**Art and Design History**

Complete any one ARTH course as long as prerequisites have been met.	4
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**Design**

ARTG 1270 and ARTG 1271	Design: Process + Practices and Studio for Design: Process + Practices	4
ARTG 1290 and ARTG 1291	Typographic Systems and Studio for Typographic Systems	4
ARTG 2242	Information Design Principles	4
ARTG 2252	Graphic Design Principles	4
ARTG 3350	Typography 2	4

**Degree Project**

ARTG 4550	Design Degree Project	4
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**Art and Design Electives**

Complete two of the following:	8-10
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ARTD 2360 and ARTD 2361	Introduction to Photography and Photo Tools	
ARTD 2380 and ARTD 2381	Video Basics and Video Tools	
ARTG 2262 and ARTG 2263	Prototyping with Code and Lab for ARTG 2262	
ARTG 2400 and ARTG 2401	Interaction Design Principles and Interaction Design Principles Tools	
ARTG 3444	Topics in Information Design Inquiry	
ARTG 3452	Topics In Graphic Design Inquiry	
ARTG 3460	Identity and Brand Design	
ARTG 4554	Typography 3	

**Integrative Requirement**

Code	Title	Hours
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Complete one of the following:	4
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ENGL 2301	The Graphic Novel	
ENGL 2780	Visual Writing	
ENGL 3340	Technologies of Text	

**Program Requirement**

128 total semester hours required

**Plan of Study****Sample Four Years, Two Co-ops (Spring/Summer)**

Year 1								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ENGL 1000 or ARTF 1000		1 ARTG 1270 and ARTG 1271		4 A+D Fundamentals Elective		2 Elective		4
ARTF 1220 (with optional ARTF 1221)		2 ARTG 1290 and ARTG 1291		4 A+D Fundamentals Elective		2 Elective		4
A+D Fundamentals Elective		2 ENGW 1111		4 Elective		4		
ENGL 1400		4 ENGL 1160 or 1410		4				
ENGL 1450		4						
Art + Design Elective (Recommended: ARTG 1001 & ARTG 1002)		4						
		<b>17</b>		<b>16</b>		<b>8</b>		<b>8</b>
Year 2								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
ARTG 2252		4 Co-op		0 Co-op		0 ARTG 3350		4
ENGL 1700		4				ENGL Elective		4
Art + Design Elective		4						
ENGL pre-1850 requirement		4						
		<b>16</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>8</b>
Year 3								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours	Hours
Art + Design History Elective		4 Co-op		0 Co-op		0 ENGL writing requirement		4
ENGL Post-1850 requirement		4				ENGL elective		4
ENGL theories & methods requirement		4						
Integrative course		4						
		<b>16</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>0</b>		<b>8</b>
Year 4								
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours	Hours
ARTG 2242		4 ARTG 4550		4				
ENGL elective		4 ENGL 4710		4				
Elective		4 ENGL elective		4				
ENGL 3710		4 Elective		4				
		<b>16</b>		<b>16</b>				

**Total Hours: 129**