English is the study of written and spoken language and the discovery of techniques for using it effectively. The main focus of English is the written word, an imperative factor for communication among all people. All English courses involve extensive work in close reading, critical thinking, and analytical writing, which are important skills in the world of work.

MAJOR: English

WHAT ARE SOME ALUMNI DOING NOW?

- Editorial Director
- Major Gifts Coordinator
- Language Arts Teacher
- English Teacher
- Resident Nurse
- Copywriter
- Restaurant
- Director, Business Insight
- Marketing Coordinator
- Technical Recruiter
- Entrepreneur

WHAT ELSE CAN YOU DO WITH THIS MAJOR?

- Advertising Executive
- Program Manager
- Greeting Card Writer
- Biographer
- Research Assistant
- Politician
- Politician
- Court Clerk
- Information Analyst
- Journalist
- Lawyer
- Librarian
- Poet/Playwright
- Television Producer
- Lobbyist
- Interpreter
- Publisher
- Fundraiser
- Media Planner
- Newscaster
- Adverting Executive
- Archivist
- Correspondent
- Writer
- Librarian
- Librarian
- Consultant
- Television Producer
- Lobbyist
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WHO HIRES ENGLISH MAJORS?

- Technology companies
- Business organizations
- Newspapers
- Business organizations
- Colleges/Universities
- Libraries
- Business organizations
- Museums
- Nonprofit organizations
- Government agencies
- Radio/TV/Film companies
- Public/Private schools

ENGLISH IN ACTION

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO BE THE BEST ENGLISH MAJOR

- Consider founding, or joining one of Oxy’s 100+ clubs.
- Apply to work for The Occidental Weekly or The Occidental Agency (TOA).
- Participate in creative writing workshops and read literary journals.
- Apply for independent study through the Richter Fellowship or Study Abroad.
- Develop presentation skills by applying to the Summer Research Program.
- Gain volunteer experience in tutoring.
- Take summer courses in technical or grant writing.
- Participate in a summer publishing institute to learn about publishing, journalism, and creative writing jobs.
- Create a portfolio of writing and/or ideas.
- Obtain a solid statistics background for research writing in Public Relations, Marketing, or Law fields.
- Intern at a local magazine or other news publication.