

ENGLISH



The Department of English provides comprehensive training in essential skills such as reading, interpretation, writing, public speaking, and research. Students gain the ability to analyze a wide range of cultural and artistic materials, from poetry and novels to films and digital media. They explore how these works emerge from, respond to, and influence their historical and cultural contexts. Additionally, students engage with the ways in which interpreting these works prompts them to ask fundamental questions about meaning, justice, and the human experience.

RELATED CAREER FIELDS

- Law
- Publishing / Editing
- Creative Writing
- Education (Secondary, Post-Secondary)
- Medicine and Dentistry
- Business Management
- Advertising / Marketing / Public Relations
- Government Relations
- Entertainment
- STEM / Technical Writing
- Journalism
- Library Science

PROGRAMS

- Bachelor of Arts
- English Honors
- English Teacher Education Program
- Combined BA/MA
- Master of Arts
- PhD
- Minors in English, Film and Screen Studies, and Theatre Arts

DID YOU KNOW?

Our English Education Program prepares students aspiring to become secondary educators for New York State teacher certification. Our graduates boast an excellent job placement rate in school districts across Long Island and New York State.



Stony Brook University
College of Arts and Sciences



Laci Burton '25, BA English

"My experience in the English program has allowed me to form invaluable relationships with my professors, and this support system has enabled me to take my scholarship to new levels. I've had the opportunity to write an honors thesis, do archival research, and present at conferences, which have prepared me greatly for my future plans of graduate school, earning my PhD, and teaching on a collegiate level."

GETTING INVOLVED

- Internship opportunities through our VOICE podcasting research lab, social media, Herstory, and more
- Student Advisory Council
- Alpha Nu Zeta English Honor Society
- Department sponsored book talks, poetry readings, and more
- GradCon- annual English graduate conference
- Annual department book giveaway
- Independent research projects
- Conference presentations

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SOME OF OUR COURSES

- Literature, Film and Environment
- Young Adult Literature
- Writing Workshop: Fiction
- Critical Approaches to Cinema
- Shakespeare
- Law and Literature
- Screenwriting
- Poetry in English
- Literature, Ethics and Medicine
- Contemporary Literature and Pop Culture
- Literature and Empire
- Film: Mastering the Movies



Gabriela Reyes '22
BA English
Currently pursuing a pre-med degree

"As a future doctor, my English degree helped me stand out in the application process. My training in English means that I am able to analyze small details of literary text and look beyond words on a page. With this, I hope to look beyond what's in front of me when faced with a medical challenge."



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