

## ENGLISH/LITERATURE Majors (Suggested Associate in Arts Degree Curriculum)

This worksheet is designed to help students select courses which are likely to apply to a **major in ENGLISH/LITERATURE**. These suggested courses satisfy requirements in the Associate in Arts degree program at Prairie State College and provide the basis for transferring to a four-year institution. This program meets the guidelines of the **IAI (Illinois Articulation Initiative) Baccalaureate Major Panel for English**. Students should obtain a copy of the **Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet** and should visit the IAI website at [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org) for more information.

Four-year degree programs in English emphasize study of literature and literary criticism. Specializations in creative and/or technical writing prepare a student for certification as a high school English teacher as well as for a wide range of professional writing jobs. An English major is considered good preparation for some professional programs. Students seeking a bachelor's degree in English are strongly encouraged to complete the A.A. degree prior to transfer. Since all literature courses require substantial formal writing, it is highly recommended that students complete the two-course writing sequence before enrolling in literature courses. Students are encouraged to keep course syllabi and a personal writing portfolio.

### SUGGESTED CURRICULUM

*Each senior institution has its own transfer policies. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the accuracy of this information in regard to every individual school. Consult the school of your choice and/or the PSC Advising Center to discuss the transferability of courses.*

#### TRANSFERABLE GENERAL EDUCATION CORE (37-38 credits)

##### Area A: Communications (9 credits)

ENG 101 (3)	[C1 900]*	Composition I (Prereq. ENG 099, C or better, or qualifying score on English Placement Test)
ENG 102 (3)	[C1 901R]*	Composition II (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
COMM 101(3)	[C2 900]	Principles of Communication (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

\*Must have a "C" or better in ENG 101 & 102 to receive credit for this degree.

##### Area B: Humanities and Fine Arts (9 credits)

Select three courses with at least one course selected from the humanities area and one course from the fine arts area. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area B, for a listing of approved course choices.

Humanities Course (3)	Select any Area B Humanities Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Fine Arts Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above). (Art 131 recommended for Illinois teacher certification)
Humanities/Fine Arts Course (3)	Select any Area B Humanities Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

##### Area C: Mathematics (3 credits)

MATH 112 (3)	[M1 904]	General Education Mathematics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better <b>OR</b> MATH 095 & high school geometry, both with C or better <b>OR</b> qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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**OR**

MATH 115 (3)	[M1 902]	General Education Statistics (Prereq. MATH 095 & 096 with C or better <b>OR</b> MATH 095 and high school geometry, both with C or better <b>OR</b> qualifying score on Math Placement Test)
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##### Area D: Physical and Life Sciences (7-8 credits)

Select one life science course and one physical science course. One course must have a lab component. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area D, for a listing of approved course choices.

Life Science Course (3-4)*	Select any Area D Life Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)
Physical Science Course (3-4)*	Select any Area D Physical Science Course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)

\*Four credit lab science courses recommended for Illinois teacher certification

##### Area E: Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 credits)

Select three courses in at least two different disciplines. Refer to the Associate in Arts Degree Worksheet, Area E, for a listing of approved course choices.

Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)*
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Social/Behavioral Sci Course (3)	Select any Area E Social/Behav Sci course (Prereq. Placement in ENG 099 or above)* *PSYCH 101, POLSC 140, and HIST 201 or 202 recommended for Illinois teacher certification

## ENGLISH/LITERATURE MAJOR COURSE RECOMMENDATIONS (24-25 credits)

(Check with the school to which you plan to transfer to verify transferability of these courses for this major)

Select 24-25 credits from the “suggested” course recommendations listed below:

Suggested IAI English Major Core Courses:

Select up to 3 IAI survey courses from the following (it is recommended to take all four):

ENG 211 (3)	[H3 914]	American Literature I (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 212 (3)	[H3 915]	American Literature II (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 231 (3)	[H3 912]	British Literature I (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 232 (3)	[H3 913]	British Literature II (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)

Other suggested IAI courses may include:

ENG 110 (3)*		Creative Writing: Poetry (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 111 (3)*		Creative Writing: Nonfiction Prose (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 215 (3)**	[H3 910D]	African-American Literature (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 221 (3)	[H3 903]	Introduction to Poetry (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 240 (3)	[H3 901]	Introduction to Fiction (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 243 (3)**	[H3 908N]	Non-Western Literature in English (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
ENG 252 (3)	[H3 902]	Introduction to Drama (Prereq. ENG 101 with C or better)
SPAN 201 (4)***		Spanish III (Prereq. SPAN 102 or two years of HS Spanish or placement test) <b>Recommended</b>
SPAN 202 (4)***	[H1 900]	Spanish IV (Prereq. SPAN 201) <b>Recommended</b>

\*Some universities offer a specialization in creative writing. Some will accept one of these two creative writing courses.

\*\*Some universities require a multicultural or human diversity course within the English major. Some will accept one of these two courses.

\*\*\*Competency in a single foreign language through the third or fourth college semester is recommended. Two years in high school may substitute for the first two college semesters.

Other suggested courses which satisfy the PSC AA degree requirements may include electives such as:

Any additional general education courses selected from Areas B, C, D, or E

Any entry level majors course in a transferable major area

Any foreign language courses\*

Up to four credits of physical education courses

Additional courses recommended as transferable by the school to which you plan to transfer.

\*Foreign Language Requirement: Some universities have a foreign language requirement. Generally, four years of a single foreign language in high school, or four semesters in college, will fulfill this requirement. It is recommended that students complete the entire sequence at one institution.

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## 62 CREDITS REQUIRED FOR AN ASSOCIATE IN ARTS DEGREE

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### FOR TRANSFER INFORMATION:

u.select, formerly known as Course Applicability System (CAS): [www.transfer.org/uselect](http://www.transfer.org/uselect)

Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI): [www.iTransfer.org](http://www.iTransfer.org)

Links to Articulation Tables for Illinois Colleges: <http://www.itransfer.org/IAI/Other/Articulationlinks.taf>

Visit the web sites of colleges and universities to which you plan to transfer.

### FOR CAREER INFORMATION:

Occupational Outlook Handbook, U.S. Department of Labor: <http://www.bls.gov/oco/home.htm>