

BGS in English

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BGS in English. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill KU Core Goals, please visit the KU Core website (<http://kucore.ku.edu/courses/>).

Freshman

| Fall | Hours | Spring | Hours |
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| ENGL 101 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication (1 of 2)) | 3 | ENGL 102 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication (2 of 2)) | 3 |
| Goal 2.2 Communication | 3 | Goal 1.2 Quantitative Reasoning | 3 |
| Goal 1.1 Critical Thinking | 3 | Goal 3 Natural Science | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
| 15 | | 15 | |

Sophomore

| Fall | Hours | Spring | Hours |
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| Goal 4.1 Human Diversity | 3 | Goal 4.2 Global Awareness | 3 |
| ENGL 200+ Level Course (Major Requirement, Goal 3 Arts and Humanities) ^{3, 7} | 3 | ENGL 300 (Major Requirement) | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
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| 15 | | 15 | |

Junior

| Fall | Hours | Spring | Hours |
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| ENGL 300+ from Rhetoric, Language, or Writing studies (Major Requirement) | 3 | Goal 5 Social Responsibility and Ethics | 3 |
| ENGL 300+ elective (Major Requirement) ⁴ | 3 | ENGL 300+ from Diverse Identities, Communities, & Texts (Major Requirement) | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ^{2, 6} | 3 | ENGL Elective 300+ ⁴ | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ^{2, 6} | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
| 15 | | 15 | |

Senior

| Fall | Hours | Spring | Hours |
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| Goal 3 Social Science | 3 | ENGL 500+ required capstone (Major Requirement, Goal 6 Integration & Creativity) ^{4, 5} | 3 |
| ENGL 300+ from Literature, Language, or Rhetoric bef. 1850 (Major Requirement) | 3 | ENGL 300+ elective (Major Requirement) ⁴ | 3 |
| ENGL 500+ required capstone (Major Requirement) ^{4, 5} | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ^{2, 6} | 3 |
| BGS Career Prep Course (BGS Requirement) ⁸ | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
| Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ^{2, 6} | 3 | Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁶ | 3 |
| 15 | | 15 | |

Total Hours 120

- Students must complete ENGL 101 and ENGL 102, or their equivalents to be eligible for 200-level and higher ENGL courses.
- Please note that the Bachelor of General Studies degree requires completion of a single BGS major AND a secondary field of academic study (a second major, co-major, or minor). This sample plan is based on the completion of a minor. If a second major is selected instead, elective hours on plan will be needed for these additional major requirements.
- Before beginning 300+ level English courses it is recommended that students take a 200-level English course. One 200-level course may be counted toward English Studies coursework.
- Students may pursue an emphasis in a particular field by taking at least 3 courses in it (including a capstone). These emphases include:
 - Literary Studies: one literary history course, one theory course, and one literary studies capstone
 - Creative Writing: 300-level workshops in two genres, and one creative writing capstone
 - Language, Culture, and Rhetoric: ENGL 380 or ENGL 387, another RCL course, and one RCL capstone
 - Students may also designate their own 'custom' emphasis, in consultation with a departmental advisor.
- Capstone Requirements (6 hours, 500 or above): Students must complete ENGL 300 and 2 other 300-level courses before they proceed to the capstone requirements. All 500-level or above English courses count as capstone courses. Students pursuing departmental honors may use ENGL 598 to fill one capstone requirement, and must also enroll in ENGL 599: Thesis hours.
- Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through KU core, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.
- ENGL 203, ENGL 205, ENGL 209 and ENGL 210 fulfill Goal 3 Arts & Humanities
- ENGL 362, ENGL 496 and ENGL 497 may fulfill BGS career Course requirement when taken for 3 credit hours.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

The same course cannot be used to fulfill more than one KU Core Goal. However, overlap of a KU Core course with a major or degree-specific requirement is allowed. Overlapping is recommended to allow more opportunities to explore other majors and/or minors.