

Bachelor of Arts (BA)
English

Rhetoric, Composition and Literacy Studies

The 2026-2027 list of core courses can be found in the 2026-2027 Undergraduate Catalog: www.utrgv.edu/catalog > See 'Bachelors Degree Program Regulations'

Symbols Key										
Campus: B - Offered in Brownsville; E - Offered in Edinburg; O - Offered Online; T - Travel Required										
Bolded Course Number*: Program Admission Requirement										
Min Grade: A - Excellent; B - Good; C - Satisfactory; D - Below Average; CR - Credit; P - Passing; S - Satisfactory.										
Core: 010 - Communication; 020 - Mathematics; 030 - Life and Physical Sciences; 040 - Language, Philosophy & Culture; 050 - Creative Arts; 060 - American History; 070 - Government/Political Science; 080 - Social and Behavioral Sciences;										
Core: 090 - Applied Communication and Literacies; Humanities; Leadership; Science Labs; Interdisciplinary; Technologies; Language Diversity & Writing										
Year	Semester	Credit Hour	Campus	Course Number	Course Title	Minimum Grade	Core	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Communication	C	010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.	See General Education Core for more details Option: ENGL 1301	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	American History		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1301 or HIST/MASC 2327	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Creative Arts		050		See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: ENGL 2312 History of Film	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Mathematics	C	020	College Ready TSI status in Mathematics or MATH 0314/0332/0342.	See General Education Core for course options.	
1	Fall	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option		090		See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: INDS 2390	
1	Fall		B/E/O	UNIV	1301 Learning Framework 1101 Academic and Career Success 1001/1300 Living and Working by Design				As required, based on a number of factors such as credit hours earned, TSI status, high school rank, major declaration, etc.	
1	Fall	15	Semester Total Hours							
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Communication	C	010	For all 010 courses: Satisfactory scores on English portion of ACT test and TSI examination or ENGL 0301. For ENGL 1302, a grade of "C" or better in ENGL 1301.	See General Education Core for more details Options: ENGL 1302 or ENGL 1305	
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	American History		060		See General Education Core for more details. Options: HIST 1302 or HIST/MASC 2328	
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Social and Behavioral Sciences		080		See General Education Core for course options.	
1	Spring	3	B/E/O	Choose 1	Language, Philosophy and Culture		040		See General Education Core for course options. Recommended: ENGL 23XX. ENGL 23XX level courses will count as English electives in degree plan; additional ENGL 23XX can be taken to fulfill core requirement.	
1	Spring	4	B/E/O	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences		030	May apply pending course selection	See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.	
1	Spring	16	Semester Total Hours							
Year	Semester	Credit Hour	Campus	Course Number	Course Title	Minimum Grade	Core	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
2	Fall	3	B/E/O	POLS 2305	U.S. Federal Govt & Politics		070			
2	Fall	4	B/E/O	Choose 1	Life and Physical Sciences		030	May apply pending course selection	See General Education Core for course options. 1 credit hour of lab may apply to category 090.	
2	Fall	1	B/E/O	Choose 1	Integrative/Experiential Learning Option		090		See General Education Core for course options.	
2	Fall	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
2	Fall	3	B/E	ENGL 3300	Introduction to English Studies			6 hours of English	Must be taken within the first 12 hours of the English major.	
2	Fall	14	Semester Total Hours							
2	Spring	3	B/E/O	POLS 2306	Texas Government & Politics		070			
2	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Concentration - Requirements				See Degree Plan for course options.	
2	Spring	3	B/E	ENGL 3362	English Grammar			6 hours of English	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.	
2	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Prescribed Elective - Literature (Literature Survey)				See Degree Plan for course options.	
2	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
2	Spring	15	Semester Total Hours							

Year	Semester	Credit Hour	Campus	Course Number	Course Title	Minimum Grade	Core	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
3	Fall	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Prescribed Elective - Literature (Genre/Theme)				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Fall	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Prescribed Elective - Linguistics				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Fall	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Concentration - Professional Writing				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Fall	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Prescribed Elective - Rhetorical Writing				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Fall	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
3	Fall	15	Semester Total Hours							
3	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Prescribed Elective - Literature (Period/Single Author)				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Concentration - Prescribed Electives				See Degree Plan for course options.	
3	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
3	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
3	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 3351	Creative Writing I			6 hours of English	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.	
3	Spring	15	Semester Total Hours							
Year	Semester	Credit Hour	Campus	Course Number	Course Title	Minimum Grade	Core	Prerequisite	Additional Notes	
4	Fall	3	E	ENGL 4340	Advanced Specialization in Rhetoric, Composition & Literacy Studies			6 hours of English		
4	Fall	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Concentration - Prescribed Electives				See Degree Plan for course options.	
4	Fall	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Fall	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Fall	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Fall	15	Semester Total Hours							
4	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 4390	Senior English Capstone			ENGL 3300 and 24 hours of advanced English.	Satisfies Major-Specific Requirement.	
4	Spring	3	B/E/O	ENGL 33XX-43XX	Concentration - Requirements					
4	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Spring	3	B/E/O	13XX-43XX	Free Elective					
4	Spring	15	Semester Total Hours							

120 TOTAL HOURS
(42) Advanced minimum credit hours