RECENT POSITIONS ACCEPTED BY OUR GRADUATES

Public Relations Specialist
Teacher
Consumer Advocate
Market Analyst
Editor
Communications Specialist
Tour Organizer
Electronic Publishing Expert
Speech Writer
Coordinator of Volunteers
Writer for NPR
Public Information Specialist
Copy Editor
Campaign Assistant
Brand Ambassador
Event Organizer
Project Coordinator
Web Design/Web Master
Cruise Director
Fund-raiser
Cable Television Researcher
Magazine Fact Checker
Photographer for Getty Images
Political Party Support Staff
Alumni Affairs Director
Media Group Designer

THE FACULTY IN LITERATURE AT AUBURN UNIVERSITY

Our Message
The faculty in literature at Auburn University are experienced mentors who have guided countless students on their paths to employment or graduate school. We understand that being a literature major opens more than just one door for you after you leave Auburn. As scholars and authors ourselves, we have worked hard to develop a national and even international reputation. That reputation is behind you when you enter the job market. As experienced mentors, we are here to offer support when you navigate the process of realizing your dreams.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Erin Henderson Treadwell, 2009
Development Director at United Cerebral Palsy of West Alabama

AUBURN UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
FIND YOUR PLACE.

What lies ahead for Auburn University English Majors?

Jordan Wampler, 2015
Implementation Consultant and Project Manager for Epic, a Health Care Software Company
OUR DEPARTMENT PROVIDES

English majors in the literature track at Auburn University can study the most important and innovative works in American and British literatures and take a full range of courses with special themes and topics such as Shakespeare, the Victorian Novel, Environment: Literature & Culture, African-American Literature, Drama, Gender and Literature, Southern Literature, and Popular Culture. They pursue vital skills in reading, interpretation, research, analysis, and oral and written communications.

Laura Elmer, BA 2010, MA 2013
Director, LifeReady and Guide Programs, Berry College

WE ARE A COMMUNITY

The department offers many special educational and social events. It is home to the AU Summer in London Program, a six-week study abroad experience of living and studying in central London with special trips to Stonehenge, Canterbury, and to see a play at the Globe Theatre. The series FILM@JCSM brings speakers to introduce film screenings on a theme related to current exhibits at the University’s Jule Collins Smith Museum. The English Club has many events including picnics, open houses, and Thursday Coffee Shop Gatherings including the Creative Writing faculty’s “Third Thursday” poetry readings.

OUR DEGREE PROMISES

Skills to prepare you to enter a fast-changing global economy, skills that will always be in demand. A recent survey by the Association of American State Colleges and Universities (AASCU) revealed that more than 75% of employers recommend a liberal arts education. Harvard University’s Innovation Lab researched employers and employment and identified the most desirable qualities of employees in the 21st century. English majors excel in all:

*Critical Thinking and Problem Solving
*Accessing and Analyzing Information
*Analytical and Organizational Skills
*Awareness of Values and Diversity
*Curiosity and Imagination
*Written and Oral Communication skills, including the ability to converse fluently and persuade

Gray Gill, 2013
Copy Writer for Bontrager/Trek

Kamron Cox, 2015
Vanderbilt Law School

OUR DEGREE OFFERS

By mid-career, English majors average salary is $64,700.00. This is the same as graduates in biology, and higher than health care administration, criminal justice, geography, interior design, and psychology. English majors often choose helping and artistic careers, but at mid-career one quarter make an average of $93,200.00.

THE LITERATURE TRACK IS

A Flexible, Marketable Four-Year Degree

Alumni Speak

* Erin Henderson Treadwell: “Since I work in public relations, it is important for me to view situations and prepare writings from various angles and different points of view. My literature classes prepared me to think critically about everything I encounter on a daily basis.”
* Gray Gill: “I didn’t realize just how lucrative an English degree can be.”
* Ali Loprete: “Studying English helped me learn how to organize my thoughts into an idea that develops into an argument and how to effectively communicate that back to my peers and my law-school professor in a way that is creative and persuasive.”

Alexandra Loprete, 2011
Associate, O’Conner, Parsons, Lane & Noble Law Firm

Preparation for Graduate Work in

*English
*Education
*Divinity or Theology
*Law
*Business Administration