# University Core and Graduation Requirements

## University Core Requirements:

### Religion Cornerstones
- **Teachings and Doctrine of The Book of Mormon**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 2.0
  - Classes: REL A 275
- **Jesus Christ and the Everlasting Gospel**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 2.0
  - Classes: REL A 250
- **Foundations of the Restoration**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 2.0
  - Classes: REL C 225
- **The Eternal Family**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 2.0
  - Classes: REL C 200

### The Individual and Society
- **American Heritage**
  - #Classes: 1-2
  - Hours: 3-6.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Global and Cultural Awareness**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list

### Skills
- **First Year Writing**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Advanced Written and Oral Communications**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Quantitative Reasoning**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3-4.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Languages of Learning (Math or Language)**
  - #Classes: Variable
  - Hours: 3-20.0
  - Classes: Foreign Language required*

### Arts, Letters, and Sciences
- **Civilization 1**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Civilization 2**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Arts**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Letters**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Biological Science**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3-4.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Physical Science**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Social Science**
  - #Classes: 1
  - Hours: 3.0
  - Classes: ELANG 495R*

### Core Enrichment: Electives
- **Religion Electives**
  - #Classes: 3-4
  - Hours: 6.0
  - Classes: from approved list
- **Open Electives**
  - #Classes: Variable
  - Hours: Variable
  - Classes: personal choice

*THIS CLASS FILLS BOTH UNIVERSITY CORE AND PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS (3 hours overlap)

## Graduation Requirements:

- **Minimum residence hours required**: 30.0
- **Minimum hours needed to graduate**: 120.0

## Suggested Sequence of Courses

### FRESHMAN YEAR

**1st Semester**
- First-year Writing or American Heritage: 3.0
- ELANG 223: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Language elective: 4.0
- General Education courses, and/or general electives: 3.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**2nd Semester**
- A HTG 100 or 1st Year Writing: 3.0
- ELANG 273: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Language elective: 4.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 3.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

### SOPHOMORE YEAR

**3rd Semester**
- ELANG 332: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- Language elective: 4.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 6.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**4th Semester**
- ELANG 325: 3.0
- Religion elective: 2.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 10.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

### JUNIOR YEAR

**5th Semester**
- ELANG 326: 3.0
- ELANG/LING elective: 3.0
- Religion Cornerstone course: 2.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 7.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**6th Semester**
- ELANG 327: 3.0
- ELANG/LING elective: 3.0
- Religion elective: 2.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 7.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

### SENIOR YEAR

**7th Semester**
- ELANG/LING elective: 3.0
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- Religion elective: 2.0
- General Education courses, university requirements, and/or general electives: 7.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

**8th Semester**
- ELANG/LING elective: 3.0
- ELANG/LING elective: 3.0
- General Education courses, and/or general electives: 6.0
- **Total Hours**: 15.0

Note: Contact the college advisement center for help in outlining an efficient schedule.

Note: Students are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credit hours each semester or 30 credit hours each year, which could include spring and/or summer terms. Taking fewer credits substantially increases the cost and the number of semesters to graduate.
It is strongly recommended that Ling 198, a 2-credit-hour course, be taken early in a student's major. This course is recommended to help English Language majors focus on specific educational and occupational goals and to identify the career options or educational opportunities available to them. The course will introduce them to the resources needed for accessing information about graduate schools, internships, careers, and career development.

REQUIREMENT 1 Complete 1 course

COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING PREREQUISITE TO ALL COURSES REQUIRED FOR THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE MAJOR:

ELANG 223 - Introduction to the English Language 3.0

REQUIREMENT 2 Complete 7 courses

CORE COURSES:

ELANG 273 - Empirical Methods in English Linguistics 3.0
ELANG 322 - Modern American Usage 3.0
ELANG 324 - History of the English Language 3.0
ELANG 325 - The Grammar of English 3.0
ELANG 326 - English Semantics and Pragmatics 3.0
ELANG 327 - English Phonetics and Phonology 3.0
*ELANG 495R - The Senior Course 3.0

OPTION 5.1 Complete up to 3.0 hours from the following course(s)

NOTE: ONLY ONE DIGITAL HUMANITIES AND TECHNOLOGY (DIGHT) OR LINGUISTICS COMPUTING (LINGC) COURSE CAN BE USED TO FILL THIS REQUIREMENT.

DIGHT 360 - (DIGHT-Ling) Programming for Text Processing and Analysis 3.0
LING 361 - Speech Processing 3.0
LING 445 - Introduction to Psycholinguistics 3.0
LING 450 - Introduction to Historical-Comparative Linguistics 3.0
LING 452 - Introduction to Sociolinguistics 3.0
LING 485 - Corpus Linguistics 3.0
LING 498 - Career Preparation for Linguistics and English Language Majors 1.0
LING 551 - Anthropological Linguistics 3.0

REQUIREMENT 3 Complete 1 course

ELANG 362 - Discourse Analysis 3.0
ELANG 468 - Introduction to Varieties of English 3.0
LING 452 - Old English 1 3.0
LING 526 - Middle English 3.0
ELANG 529 - Structure of Modern English 3.0
ELANG 535 - Language and Literature 3.0
ELANG 548 - Old English 2 3.0
LING 325 - Theoretical Syntax 3.0

REQUIREMENT 4 Complete 1 course

PERIOD COURSES:

ELANG 447 - Early Modern English 3.0
ELANG 448 - Late Modern English 3.0
ELANG 552 - Old English 3.0
ELANG 556 - Middle English 3.0

REQUIREMENT 5 Complete 9.0 hours from the following option(s)

OPTION 5.2 Complete up to 3.0 hours from the following course(s)

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DIGHT 230 - Introduction to Print Publishing 3.0
DIGHT 250 - Web Publishing 3.0
DIGHT 260 - Tools for Text Processing and Analysis 3.0
DIGHT 315 - Research in the Digital Humanities 3.0

REQUIREMENT 6 Complete university course work (or the equivalent) to a 200-level or higher in any single foreign language, including American Sign Language. (This requirement varies for Spanish. See the Humanities College Advisement Center.) The language for this requirement may be the same language used to satisfy the GE Foreign Language option, but note that the GE Foreign Language option may require more coursework than this requirement from the English Language major. For non-native speakers of English, the university TOEFL requirement satisfies this requirement for the English Language major. A language relevant to the historical development of English is strongly recommended, namely Latin, French, German, or Classical Greek.

THE DISCIPLINE:

The English Language major is focused on English linguistics. As a linguistic program of study it is concerned with the study of language in all its aspects—from speech sounds to sentence formation to meaning; from how language is organized and used in a social setting to how it is organized and processed in the brain. Linguists study language form, language change, language acquisition, and even the texts in which language is recorded. Linguists recognize that the communicative power of language is what brings cohesion to all human enterprises. For the student interested in the nature of language, linguistics is the subject to study.

The science of linguistics has many real-world applications—including translation, information storage/retrieval, lexicography, editing, and language teaching. In addition to its majors in general linguistics and in English language, BYU's Department of Linguistics and English Language offers undergraduate minor programs (as well as graduate degrees) in several of these areas.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

A degree in English Language is an important preparation for a variety of jobs that require special attention to the English language such as advertising, technical writing, editing, translation, lexicography, educational material development, and software design. It is also an excellent preparation for those planning graduate studies in areas as diverse as law, international business, tourism, library science, TESOL, communicative disorders, and speech pathology, not to mention graduate studies in specific languages or in linguistics itself.

CAREER STRATEGIES:

Possible careers: university teaching or research, translation, software development, lexicography, artificial intelligence, computer assisted instruction, defense, military, prelaw or preprofessional preparation, national security, data analysis, technical writing and editing, government service, abstracting service, church service.

Possible employers: universities, libraries, government agencies, military, software developers, church services, translation companies, small institutions, computer companies.

Employment strategies: gain computer skills, select a wide variety of electives, gain foreign experience, seek internships, study non-
Indo European language, develop writing skills, gain writing experience, gain debate skills, become a certified translator, gain translation experience, work at a variety of jobs, gain good science skills, gain good analytical skills.

For more information on careers, visit hac.byu.edu/h-careers.html.

**MAP DISCLAIMER**

While every reasonable effort is made to ensure accuracy, there are some student populations that could have exceptions to listed requirements. Please refer to the university catalog and your college advisement center/department for complete guidelines.

**DEPARTMENT INFORMATION**

Linguistics and English Language Department  
Brigham Young University  
4064 JFSB  
Provo, UT 84602  
Telephone: (801) 422-2937

- Faculty advisement
- Adding major classes
- Class offering changes
- Specific course information
- Grade changes
- Letters of recommendation
- Graduate school advisement
- Orientation to major

**ADVISEMENT CENTER INFORMATION**

Liberal Arts Advisement and Careers  
Brigham Young University  
1041 JFSB  
Provo, UT 84602  
Telephone: (801) 422-3541

- Declare or change major or minor
- Clear for graduation (recommended application is two semesters before graduation)
- GE, major, and transfer advisement
- Questions about university policies
- Clearance of CAC holds and adding over hours
- Graduation records
- Requirement sheets, correct progress report errors
- Evaluate students' holds at 96 hours and 150+ hours
- Career counseling