

English

OSU Minor in English or OSU Liberal Studies Theme in American Studies

Do you want to gain an understanding of American culture while improving your communication and critical thinking skills? English classes prepare students for many jobs by developing critical thinking and writing skills.

▶▶▶ **The Program**

OSU-Cascades students interested in the study of English, can choose to gain a minor in this field, or use it as the foundation of a Liberal Studies theme titled "American Studies." Lower division courses explore literature from various race, class, and gender perspectives. The upper-division courses explore the connections between literature and culture. Critical thinking, written and oral communication, and collaboration skills which are gained by taking English classes are applicable skills to any major area of study or career field.

▶▶▶ **The Future**

Strong writing skills are sought after in many careers. Students earning degrees in English heighten aptitudes applicable to a wide variety of careers including business, public administration, social services, recreation, criminal justice and teaching. Undergraduate education frequently serves as preparation for graduate and professional schools offering advanced degrees in communication, law, counseling, business administration, social work, and other social sciences.

▶▶▶ **At OSU-Cascades, You Can Have It All**

OSU-Cascades blends the personal atmosphere of a small campus with the opportunities of a much larger school. All at a price that's lower than most comparable institutions. As a student, you'll take your lower-division classes from Central Oregon Community College (paying lower community college tuition) and your upper division courses from Oregon State University or the University of Oregon. We feature extra small classes, one-on-one mentoring by world-class faculty, creative course delivery, and community based learning opportunities that create a dynamic student experience. Field studies and research opportunities take students out of the classroom and into the real-world environment. And, with a student-teacher ratio of 10-to-1, you'll know your professors, often on a first-name basis.

**▶▶▶ English Minor (focus in American Literature)
(27 total credits, 15 of which must be upper division)**

A transcript-visible English Minor is available to all students getting their OSU degree from OSU-Cascades. Students begin by taking 8 credits of "Survey of American Literature" from COCC. Students then take an additional 15 credits of upper-division English from OSU.

**For more information on the English program, go online to
<http://www.osucascades.edu/academics/english/>**

**For the complete advising guide for the English minor, go online to
<http://www.osucascades.edu/advising/guides.php>**

▶▶▶ Liberal Studies major with a pre-designed theme in "American Studies" (180 total credits)

Students interested in completing a Liberal Studies degree, and emphasizing American Literature classes within their studies, can complete a pre-designed theme in the area of "American Studies." Students choosing this track will integrate their studies of American Literature with courses in American History, Art, and Political Science, thereby exploring connections between literature and culture.

**For more information on the Liberal Studies theme in "American Studies," go online to:
<http://www.osucascades.edu/academics/liberalstudies/Home/AmericanStudies.php>**

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