

MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH, ENGLISH EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION

The Master of Arts in English, English Education Specialization provides students with preparation for and enhanced knowledge of teaching English in secondary schools. Framed with a commitment to equity, the program is designed for students who are:

- Seeking initial licensure;
- Currently employed, full- or part-time, as an English language arts teacher in a Colorado public school;
- Looking to revitalize their work with students and their own knowledge;
- Deepening their understanding of contemporary literacy scholarship and broadening their background to explore new directions in the profession; and
- Deeply considering their practice and seeking to improve their teaching skills.

Students interested in pursuing an initial teaching license through CSU may refer to the Center for Educator Preparation (CEP). (<https://www.chhs.colostate.edu/soe/center-for-educator-preparation/>)

Plan A Effective Fall 2019

First Year		Credits
E 402	Teaching Composition	3
E 503	Investigating Classroom Literacies	3
Electives ^{1,2,3}		12
Total Credits		18
Second Year		
E 632	Professional Concerns in English	3
E 699 ⁴	Thesis	6
Electives ^{1,2,3}		5
Total Credits		14
Program Total Credits:		32

A minimum of 32 credits are required to complete this program.

¹ Up to nine credits of coursework for an M.A. degree can come from CSU programs outside the English department. These credits must be at the 300-level or higher. (English Education students in Plan B may count up to 12 credits.)

² A maximum of six credits of E 684 and E 687 (combined) can count toward an M.A. degree.

³ A maximum of two credits of E 695 can count toward an M.A. degree.

⁴ A maximum of six credits of E 699 can count toward a Plan A M.A. degree. No E 699 credits can count toward a Plan B M.A. degree.

In addition to required coursework, the following is required:

- Pass an oral defense of the thesis.
- Courses used to complete another degree cannot be counted towards the master's degree.
- A minimum of 24 credits applied to an M.A. degree must be earned at CSU. Of these, at least 21 must be earned after admission to the program.
- Graduate courses taken at CSU prior to admission to the Graduate School can be applied to an M.A. degree if the grade earned is B or higher.
- At least 16 credits earned at CSU and applied to an M.A. degree must be at the 500-level or higher; of these credits, at least 12 must be in "regular" courses. English courses considered to be other than "regular" include E 684, E 687, E 694, E 695, E 698, E 699, and any courses graded pass/fail.
- Courses transferred to an M.A. program must have a grade of B or higher and must have a CSU equivalent at the 500-level or higher. Credits applied toward previously earned degrees are not accepted.
- With the exception of specified courses in the English Education Specialization, all courses taken in the English department and applied to the M.A. degree must be taken at the 500-level or above.

Plan B Effective Fall 2019

First Year		Credits
E 402	Teaching Composition	3
E 503	Investigating Classroom Literacies	3
Electives ^{1,2,3}		12
Total Credits		18
Second Year		
E 632	Professional Concerns in English	3
E 698 ⁴	Research Project	2
Electives ^{1,2,3}		12
Total Credits		17
Program Total Credits:		35

A minimum of 35 credits are required to complete this program.

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⁴ A maximum of two credits of E 698 can count toward an M.A. degree.

In addition to required coursework, the following is required:

- Pass an oral defense of the final project.
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