

Student Life

Graduate students receive the following privileges:

- Access to running tracks, swimming pools, basketball, volleyball, and tennis courts, weight rooms, aerobics, yoga, ice skating, and an 18-hole golf course
- Access to free Web server space
- Access to music, theater, art, dance, star-studded concerts, student productions, and more than 400 cultural events each year
- Access to the Bowen-Thompson Student Union and the University Bookstore, movie theater, computer lab, full-service restaurant, coffeehouse, food court, plus lounge areas and offices



BGSU

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<http://www.bgsu.edu/departments/english/gradfrm2.html>



How to Apply

Admission Requirements and Information

1. Apply online at <http://www.bgsu.edu/colleges/gradcol/>
2. Meet the general requirements for admission to the Graduate College for all degree programs.
3. Submit your scores from the General Test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE).
4. Submit your official transcripts from each institution you have attended and a 10-15 page writing sample from recent analytical academic work.
5. Submit three letters of recommendation from persons familiar with your academic experience.
6. If you are seeking funding, submit the appropriate department assistantship application (available from the Graduate Coordinator) that requires a succinct, one-page statement of purpose.
7. Submit your application and supporting materials no later than February 15th before the Fall Semester of the year you wish to begin study. Later applicants will be considered only if positions are available.

Graduate Studies in English

BGSU

Bowling Green State University

The Ph.D. and M.A. Programs

The Department

The English Department at BGSU places a high priority on teaching and learning as interactive, ongoing processes. Our programs allow students to deepen their interests while encouraging them to interact with and contribute their discoveries to the profession at large. In this pursuit, students work with peers and graduate faculty who are active researchers and publishers in their areas of specialization.

The English Department offers degrees in the following programs:

- M.A. Literary and Textual Studies
- M.A. Scientific and Technical Communication
- M.F.A. Creative Writing
- Ph.D. Specialization in Rhetoric and Writing



M.A. Literary and Textual Studies Plans I and II

The Literary and Textual Studies program prepares students for advanced graduate work in numerous fields of study in the humanities, social sciences, and arts. The program offers Plan I, a thesis-option degree and Plan II, a portfolio/option degree. Plan I is designed for students who want to continue for the Ph.D. in English. Plan II is designed for students who want to prepare for a career in which training in language and literature is an asset. Both plans require a total of 33 graduate credit hours.



M.A. Scientific and Technical Communications

The S&TC program consists of a total of 36 hours of graduate credit. The program offers two tracks for master's students: Master of Arts Plan I and Master of Arts Plan II. Plan I is a thesis-option degree and works better for students who aspire to get the doctoral degree. Plan II is a non-thesis-option degree and prepares students to work in industry, with the master's as a terminal degree.

M.F.A. Creative Writing

One of the oldest established programs in the country, the M.F.A. at Bowling Green State University provides a comprehensive and rigorous education in the professional writing, editing, and marketing of poetry and fiction. Artistic development, craft knowledge, and professional presentation are the guiding principles. All qualified students receive funding, an opportunity to teach creative writing, and editorial experience with the literary journal *Mid-American Review*. A typical student's plan requires 40 graduate credit hours.



Ph.D. Specialization in Rhetoric and Writing

The Ph.D. in Rhetoric and Writing prepares candidates for post-secondary teaching, research, and administration careers in rhetoric and writing. Students are afforded opportunities to teach first-year and other writing courses in traditional and computer mediated classrooms, and are given opportunities to gain experience in areas such as Writing Program Administration and Writing Center tutoring. Beyond teaching experience, doctoral students gain expertise in composition and rhetorical theory and begin working in a variety of scholarly and professional pursuits. Students must complete 60 hours of credit past the M.A. degree, which includes 27 hours of dissertation and preliminary exam credit.



Tuition Waivers

Assistantships provide the following advantages for funded graduate students:



- Instructional, general, and out-of-state fee waivers
- Parking fee waiver
- M.A. level stipend of \$7,635 for 2004 - 2005 academic school year
- Ph.D. level stipend of \$10,740 for 2004 - 2005 academic school year
- Charging privileges and 10% discount at University Bookstore
- Health Insurance subsidy

Off-Campus Living

- BGSU's Housing Services provides up-to-date listings of available houses, apartments, rooms in private homes, roommates, and subleases, including prices. The average rental cost is \$450 a month.
- BG's Parks and Recreation department provides 225 acres of nature preserves, picnic groves, hiking trails, and athletic fields.
- BG's downtown shopping provides 200 merchants and professionals for eating, meeting, shopping, and antiques.
- BG's close proximity to Toledo, Detroit, and Ann Arbor provides you quick access to major shopping malls, multiplex cinemas, and live theater and concerts.

