English at Truman

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Degrees offered

BA

English



English

Minor offered

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Students can complete the BA + MA in just five years! Teaching, administrative, and editorial assistantships are available to help support full-time graduate studies.

Approximately half of graduates attend graduate school following Truman.

Our students' writing has appeared in national journals, including The Atlantic Monthly, Nova (PBS), and Transgress Press.

A community of over

ZUEnglish majors

24

full-time faculty members

88%

of faculty hold a terminal degree

6

visiting faculty members through the Clayton B. Ofstad Scholars-in-Residence program

Our active lecture series recently hosted alumni now working at The New York Public Library, Spelman College, Hallmark, and several published authors.

English faculty hold leadership roles in the National Council of Teachers of English, The Modern Language Association's Associated Departments of English, and the Children's Literature Association. They have received honors for excellence in teaching, advising, curricular innovation, and promoting student mental health. Faculty in the department have recently produced numerous creative works across genres, as well as numerous scholarly publications, representing their broad and diverse interests, from literary criticism on children's YA, and "Classic" literature to English pedagogical methods.



Three literary journals:

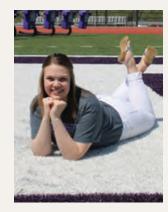
The Green Hills Literary Lantern, Windfall and The Chariton Review

Notable graduate schools include

- · Harvard Law School
- · Washington University in St. Louis
- · University of Texas Austin
- · Emory University
- · Vanderbilt University
- · University of Southern California
- University of Missouri Kansas City Law School
- MIT
- · University of Connecticut

Notable internships include

- · Andrews McMeel Publishing
- AFL-CIO (Chester, New Hampshire)
- · Barnes-Jewish Hospital
- Cerner
- Country Music Hall of Fame Library (Nashville, Tennessee)
- Hallmark (Kansas City, Missouri)
- · Missouri Historical Society
- National Public Radio (Washington, DC)
- Summer Play Festival (New York City)
- Teaching Conversational English as a Foreign Language (China)
- US Department of State (Washington, DC)
- Walt Disney World
- · Zen Del Secondary School (Taiwan)



In short, the English program helped me to expand my understanding of how fields can intersect and the importance of interdisciplinary thinking. Many people think that the humanities and sciences are always at battle; however, in my research, I work to let the sciences, specifically cognitive science, inform the humanities and the humanities inform the sciences. Without the professors, diverse classes, and research opportunities that the English major provided me I would not have understood the ways that the sciences and humanities can inform each other.

- KELLY MAHAFFY, Class of 2018

Academic Interests: MA/Ph.D. Program at the University of Connecticut
Pursued at Truman: English major, TruScholars Research Grant Summer 2014,
Amphorae Publishing House Marketing Intern, NCUR Student Researcher 2017,
NCUR Student Researcher 2018

Student organizations: Tau Lambda Sigma, Sigma Tau Delta (English Honors Fraternity), National Society of Collegiate Scholars

Hometown: St. Louis, Missouri

