

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

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The study of English language and literature entails learning and appreciating the linguistic structure and use of English in its historical, cultural and literary framework. The program focuses on language, grammar, writing and the diverse works of literary arts such as fiction, non-fiction, poetry and prose. This program also entails learning the research tools, critical methods and analytical skills needed in order to perform efficiently in today's English-dominated and information-oriented global environment. By learning to speak and to write effectively, as well as to think creatively and logically, students develop their communication, organizational, analytical, judgmental and critical skills. These skills are highly valued by a wide range of employers.



Possible Career Options

- Broadcaster
- Digital Copywriter
- Diplomat
- Editor
- Elementary Teacher
- High School Teacher
- Journalist
- Marketing Manager
- Public Relations Manager
- Publisher
- Radio and Television Producer
- Radio Host
- Real Estate Agent
- Reporter
- School or University Administrator
- Social Worker
- Technical Writer
- Translator
- Web Editor
- Writer



Possible Employers

- Schools and Universities
- Marketing Companies
- Real Estates Agencies
- Travel Agencies
- Businesses and Industries
- Newspapers and Media Organizations
- Consulates and Embassies
- Governmental Organizations



Skills Required

- Interest in language, literature and the arts
- Aptitude for reading, writing and grammar
- Ability to analyze and interpret literary material
- Ability to communicate and work with people
- Ability to research and communicate information
- Proficiency in written and oral communication



Personal Attributes

- Achievement-oriented
- Capacity for detail and order
- Analytical and logical thinking
- Ability to read and to write fluently
- Capacity for precision
- Trustworthy
- Skills in languages
- Has integrity
- Ability to communicate easily
- Interest in books, language and literature
- Organized and confident
- Interest in working with people
- Interest in working with words



Ways to Get Experience

- Doing an internship
- Working part-time or volunteering as a teacher's assistant
- Becoming involved with newspapers, online content, blogs
- Attending language and literature-related lectures, workshops or conventions
- Working part-time or volunteering in a school, university or media organization