English





PROGRAMS OF STUDY:

B.A. in English
B.A. in English for Teacher Licensure
Minor in English

ON CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES

Student staff members of THE HIGHLAND ECHO publish a IO-page campus newspaper every other week during the semester.

IMPRESSIONS, an annual publication and bimonthly online literary magazine, features artwork, creative writing and poetry submitted by MC students.

SIGMA TAU DELTA, a national English honor society, publishes two literary journals of student work and holds an annual convention at which students may present academic work and creative writing.

GRADUATE SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

Emory University, English
Florida State University, Law
Georgetown University, Communications
Mercer University, Law
Pennsylvania State University, Education
SUNY Albany, English
Union Theological Seminary, Systematic Theology
University of Chicago Divinity School
University of Kentucky, Linguistics
University of Louisiana at Lafayette, Folkloristics
University of Tennessee Knoxville, Clinical Counseling,
Creative Writing, English Education, Library and
Information Sciences, Social Work

University of Toronto, Medieval Studies University of West Florida, Earth Science Vanderbilt University, Education



Why study English at Maryville College?

Do you enjoy reading for deeper meaning and making connections between the aesthetic, historical, cultural, political, and philosophical contexts of a text? The English major emphasizes the study of linguistics, the various schools of literary criticism, and a broad range of literature. You will read with discernment and will analyze and interpret literary form, structure and style in various genres of writing. You will be trained to orally articulate your ideas with confidence and write with clarity and conciseness. These skills will help you succeed whether your future path is academic or professional.

A major in English teaches you analytic and critical thinking skills that can be applied to any field, whether you pursue an academic or professional path. Our graduates go on to work as social workers, lawyers, public defenders, pastors, business managers, communications managers, teachers, writers, editors, marketing professionals and much more.

MEET A CURRENT SCOT

Jenna Blair

Hometown: Bean Station. Tenn.

With a deep-rooted passion for literature and reading, majoring in English at MC just seemed like a natural choice for Jenna, she said.

"Reading started out as my escape when I was younger, and through my education at Maryville College, that still remains true, but I've also started developing the skills to critically think about what I'm reading, and how the messages in texts

apply to me and the broader world," she said.

As an English major on track for teacher licensure, she plans to teach English at the secondary level after graduating in 2024, and she looks to her own education as the inspiration she hopes to instill in others, she added.

"I'm grateful for my time thus far at Maryville College, and for my professors, who consistently challenge me to put my best foot forward and remind me that I'm on the right path," she said. "I look forward to all of the opportunities I'll be exposed to in the coming years."

MEET A RECENT GRAD



Martina Junod '21

Currently: English Teacher, Vine Middle Magnet School in Knoxville, Tenn.

In addition to student teaching, Martina worked in local educational tutoring programs, such as Friends in Blount County and Rockford Freedom Schools. "Teaching asks for a balance between patience and grit," she said. "Detailed planning but simultaneously expecting everything to flip upside-down is a key skill for me in the classroom. Prioritize your students and have confidence in your creativity – that brings success."

She credits MC's faculty and the Career Center for helping her find meaningful teaching opportunities. "My mentors at MC built my confidence when it felt like the world doubted my abilities," she said. "They taught me how to craft unshakable lesson plans."

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