

Department of English

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As the foundation for so many career paths, the study of English is the creative core of higher education. At CSU, you'll develop critical thinking, reading, writing, and language skills that support a lifelong love of learning.

With a firm foundation in English, you can pursue a career in teaching, journalism, or creative writing, or prepare for the broader study of law, business, or medicine. English majors often work toward graduate degrees in rhetoric, technical communication, and creative writing. See what our graduates are doing via the [CSU English YouTube channel](#).

As a student of English at CSU, your education will be immersive and hands-on. Publish your work in peer-reviewed journals, present at national conferences, conduct independent research projects, and study in inspirational locations around the world.

The TESOL program has allowed me to hone my linguistic skills and take command of the English language. It has allowed me to experience teaching in South Korea where I was able to practice and experiment with teaching methods like the total physical response method for lower-level/younger students and the communicative language teaching approach. I used knowledge of how the mouth makes sounds to teach pronunciation. I also used these tools in a demo lesson, which has gotten me a job offer to teach at an Eikaiwa (English language school) in Japan. The TESOL program really prepares you for whatever and wherever your linguistic journey may take you and for that reason, it is awesome.

Aliyah Anglin

I graduated from CSU in May 2017 with a B.A. in English Literature, a History Minor, and certificates in Medieval and Renaissance History and International Studies. During my time at CSU, I had the privilege of studying for a year at the University of Oxford, England... After graduating college, I accepted a position as a Senior AmeriCorps Member with City Year New Orleans, an educational non-profit working in urban school systems and supporting students in academic and behavioral interventions. With City Year, I've spent the last year serving as a team leader at George Washington Carver High School, an HBHS in New Orleans' historic Desire Neighborhood...Moving forward, I intend to continue to work in education at the collegiate level, teaching Holocaust and Genocide Studies.

Cailee Davis

Studying abroad in Ecuador was one of the best experiences I had while at CSU. After graduation, I was offered and accepted a job teaching English III and IV for Union County Public Schools in North Carolina. Because of my previous study abroad experience, I applied for a program that sends teachers to China during the summer to teach English as a second language. In the summer of 2016, I was chosen to accompany a team of the best teachers in the county to visit and teach in Nanjing, China, allowing me to earn the status of an international teacher. Studying and teaching abroad has expanded my horizons and afforded me unparalleled opportunities.

Brandi Ford

I am a scholarship awarded first-year law student at Mercer University School of Law, and I attained a B.A. in English with a concentration in Professional Writing at Columbus State University in 2015. While studying English Professional Writing at CSU, I gained insight on the importance of effective communication and the power of written words. The various assignments consisting of independent and group efforts were synonymous to typical workplace occurrences, which instilled universal skills that can be used in any professional environment...After graduating, I wanted to raise international awareness on the importance of professionalism and career development. I created a two-branch campaign, designed to help students abroad attain optimal levels of success through joint endeavors in academia and mastering vocational skills...The students received information on how to set and achieve goals, time management skills, and effective communication...I couldn't have made it this far without the incredible support of the English department professors, who always challenged me to give more and do more. I am a CSU cougar for life, GO COUGARS!

Essie Ndem

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Our instructors are working professionals – active in the fields of creative writing, journalism, and the teaching arts.

We share our passion for English with students through individual mentorships, one-on-one feedback, and experiential learning.

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At Columbus State University, you'll have opportunities to enhance your education in our degree programs by participating in organizations, events, and more.

Thrive

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The *Arden*, Columbus State University's award-winning literary journal, gives students an opportunity to develop valuable editing and publishing experience. The [Carson McCullers Center for Writers and Musicians](#) offers a range of creative resources including scholarships, literary prizes, and an annual in-residence writing fellowship.

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