# ENGLISH - PH.D.

**College of Arts and Sciences**  
Department of English  
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## Examples of Possible Careers*

### English language and literature teachers, postsecondary
- 2.1% slower than the average  
- 81,300 number of jobs  
- $69,000 potential earnings

### Proofreaders and copy markers
- 2.7% decline  
- 10,300 number of jobs  
- $41,140 potential earnings

### Secondary school teachers, except special and career/technical education
- 3.8% about as fast as the average  
- 1,050,800 number of jobs  
- $62,870 potential earnings

## Additional Careers
- Authors and Writers

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## Fully Offered
- Kent Campus

## Admission Terms
- Fall

*Note  
Source of occupation titles and labor data is from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics’ Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

## Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Demonstrate effective teaching skills and knowledge of appropriate teaching theories.
2. Demonstrate the ability to read and interpret research in their field.
3. Write coherently and clearly about research topics and other topics.
4. Demonstrate an understanding of how disciplines are interconnected.
5. Demonstrate the ability to think critically and creatively about topics both inside and outside academia.
6. Apply appropriate research methods to objects of study.

## Program Requirements

### Major Requirements

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**Focus Requirement**, choose from the following:

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*Graduate academic programs are subject to regular review to ensure they remain current and effective in preparing students for professional or academic careers. Changes may be made at any time after admission without prior notice.*
Electives (9)

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 60

1 Each doctoral candidate, upon admission to candidacy, must register for ENG 89199 for a total of 30 credit hours. It is expected that a doctoral candidate will continuously register for ENG 89199, and thereafter ENG 89299, each semester, until all requirements for the degree have been met.

Graduation Requirements

- Students on appointment who have not had college teaching experience are required to take ENG 61094. The master's-level course cannot be applied toward the doctoral degree.
- Students are required to pass a foreign language requirement for the degree.

Candidacy for the Degree

Doctoral students must pass two written examinations in two distinct areas of English studies before being admitted to candidacy. They must also defend a dissertation prospectus.