ENGLISH

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An English degree from Davis & Elkins College will prepare you to synthesize complex information, conduct meaningful research, and communicate that information clearly in written and spoken form.

- Small, seminar-style classes
- Supportive intellectual community
- Innovative assignments to build creativity and empathy
- Opportunities to read and write for publication
- · Activities that prepare students for life and work after college

UNIQUE COURSES

- American Nature Writers
- Gothic Literature
- Appalachian Literature
- Women in Literature
- Single Author Study (has included Flannery O'Connor, W.B. Yeats, and Charlotte Bronte)
- Writing with the Community
- Advanced Creative Writing

PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENTS

- Digital content writing
- Journalism and media
- Law
- Editing and publishing
- Teaching
- Public relations
- Technical and grant writing
- Management and advertising
- Recent graduate school placements include LSU, Emory, and Miami of Ohio



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GRADUATE SUCCESS STORIES

Cassidy Dickens, Class of 2016: At D&E, Cassidy cultivated skills to support herself while she follows her artistic dreams.

"I got hired as the copy productions editor for Life's a Beach Publications in Destin, Florida, a couple of months after graduating from D&E...Through this job, I recently met a woman who offered me a position as the content writer/social media specialist for her all-female web development company [in Nashville]...where I'll continue pursuing a career as a singer/songwriter while writing web/social media content alongside a team of progressive, intelligent young women."

"There are so many brilliant aspects of D&E's English program, but one of the most important things this department has taught me is the value and importance of the humanities outside of the reading and writing we do for our classes...Between the design of the program's curriculum and the enthusiastic support of professors, D&E's English program cultivates a space where students are really able to make their education what they like." - Emily Alexander, Class of 2020

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT EXTRAS

- Travel to undergraduate conferences to present your writing
- "Dress-up as a Literary Character" every Halloween
- Take a leadership role in our student-run literary magazine, the Aurora
- Play games at our annual spring picnic
- Work in the Writing Center to help other student-writers
- Produce your own podcasts in our new studio