ENGLISH, B.HUM.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Harrisburg

Entrance to Major

Entry to the English major requires:
1. a 2.00 or higher cumulative grade-point average; and
2. satisfaction of any entrance testing requirements set out by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in effect at the time of application for entrance-to-major.

Entry to English Major, Secondary Education option requires the following additional requirements:
1. A minimum grade point average of 3.0.
2. Completion of ENGL 15 or ENGL 30H and three credits of literature from approved list with a C or higher grade.
3. Completion of six credits of college-level mathematics (MATH or STAT prefixes) with a C or higher grade.
4. Satisfaction of any entrance testing requirements set out by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in effect at the time of application for the major.

Selective Retention (secondary education option)

Following entrance to the major, students will be evaluated for retention in the program based on:
1. maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;
2. completion of required courses with a C or higher grade;
3. an acceptable or above rating on the Penn State Harrisburg Professional Dispositions for Teacher Education.¹

To be eligible to student teach, students must:
1. maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;
2. complete with a C or higher grade all required Content and Education Courses;
3. Satisfaction of any entrance testing requirements set out by the Pennsylvania Department of Education in effect at the time of application for entrance to major;
4. submit and pass the Writing Proficiency Portfolio that demonstrates their proficiency as writers (see English Program Coordinator for specific instructions and deadlines);
5. be rated acceptable or above on the Penn State Harrisburg Professional Dispositions for Teacher Education.¹

In order to successfully complete the Secondary Education option, students must:
1. complete EDUC 490 with a grade of C or higher;
2. maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher;
3. complete with a grade of C or higher, all required Content and Education Courses;
4. complete a presentation portfolio; and
5. be rated acceptable or above on the Penn State Harrisburg Professional Dispositions for Teacher Education.¹

¹ For more detailed information see the Secondary Education Handbook.