### Possible Programs of Study:

#### 1ST YEAR
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#### 2ND YEAR
- **In your second year, you will take the third course in the GenEd core; CRIT 201.**

#### 3RD OR FINAL YEAR
- **In year three, you will take many major courses.**

#### 4TH OR FINAL YEAR
- **In your final year, you will take upper-level English, English Education, and Writing courses.**

### CAREERS OF INTEREST
With a degree in English you may consider careers as:
- Author (of novels, children’s books, magazine columns, comic books, film scripts), Editor, Professional or Technical Writer, Corporate Communications Director, Attorney, High School Teacher or Administrator, College Professor or University Administrator, Corporate Social Media Content Manager, Web Designer, Grant Writer for Non-Profit Organization, Critic and Reviewer (of writing, film, television), Podcast Writer and Host, Corporate Story and Content Writer, Librarian, Journalist, Publishing Manager, Video Game Industry Writer, Political Science Writer, English as a Second Language Teacher, Pastor or Children’s Pastor, Missionary, Literary Agent, Insurance Underwriter

### SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS I MIGHT NEED INCLUDE:
- An interest in crafting clear and interesting pieces of writing
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### 1ST YEAR
- **In one year you will familiarize yourself with the English BA Checklist and take ENGL 291.**
  - Introduction to the English Major: You will complete the first two courses of the GenEd core (WRIT 101 and HMXP 102). You also may complete some 200-level ENGL and WRIT courses alongside your GenEd courses. You may want to consider satisfying your foreign language requirement during your first year. (See the English BA Checklist for details).
- **Consider joining the Winthrop Literary Society, the Creative Writing Club, and NCTE (the National Council of Teachers of English).** Find the English Department on the second floor of Bancroft, meet your advisor and the chair, and enjoy relaxing and making friends with other majors in the student reading room. Apply to write for one of Winthrop’s student newspapers: The Johnsonian or The Rody McMillian Record.

### 2ND YEAR
- **In your second year, you will take the third course in the GenEd core; CRIT 201.** You will continue to work through the GenEd core curriculum, completing your basic major requirements, and take your “Frameworks” theory course to prepare for your upper level English courses. You also may choose and begin work on a minor in year two. English Education students should begin preparing for the Praxis and consider Winthrop’s fifth-year MAT program.

### 3RD OR FINAL YEAR
- **In year three, you will take many major courses.** You may gain focus in your English courses, perhaps using your electives to develop an area of concentration (ex. African American literature and professional writing). You also will continue to build your minor. English Education students will apply to the Teacher Education Program (TEP).

### 4TH OR FINAL YEAR
- **In your final year, you will take upper-level English, English Education, and Writing courses.** You also will complete your minor and take ENGL 500. Attend a capstone seminar. English Education students will complete their teaching internships in local schools.

### GET RELEVANT EXPERIENCE
- **Consider joining Winthrop’s Annual Spring Break Shakespeare Trip to Staunton, Virginia.**
- **Submit to The Anthology, the student literary magazine.** Find the Petrus Archive and explore its holdings. Introduce a freshman to Knowledge Park, downtown Rock Hill, or River Walk. Make an appointment with Dr. Chen to begin researching on-campus and off-campus internship opportunities. Visit the department and college.

### GET CONNECTED WITH THE COMMUNITY
- **Find Knowledge Park and take MyRide to explore the city of Rock Hill.** Find the Writing Center and consider free tutoring. Go to one of the “Research Parties” hosted by the Library and Writing Center. Attend the presentations of visiting creative writers and find opportunities to meet with them. Attend other cultural events, too! Stay alert for opportunities to read your own work.

### GET THINKING GLOBALLY
- **Attend the International Center’s Casual Friday, get to know an international student.** Learn about the department’s short-term study abroad English courses. Discuss the long-term study abroad experience with an international student and think about whether it’s something you want to do. Consider joining other students on the Annual Spring Break Shakespeare Trip to Staunton, Virginia.

### GET READY FOR LIFE AFTER GRADUATION
- **Participate in the Study Abroad Fair, share your experiences from your travel, maintain any network generated by your study abroad.** Share your experiences on the department’s social media platforms; write an article about your international adventures for the department’s alumni newsletter. Consider joining other students on the Annual Spring Break Shakespeare Trip to Staunton, Virginia.
- **Complete job and/or grad school application materials in your Capstone course.** Polish your resume with the Career Center. Make a final list of targets for graduate study or employment.

### UPDATE YOUR RESUME AND DEVELOP REFERENCES TO SUPPORT YOUR APPLICATIONS FOR GRADUATE STUDY OR EMPLOYMENT
- **Research and consider applying for Winthrop’s 5-year MA in English.**
- **Take a short-term study abroad English course.** Discuss long-term study abroad opportunities with the International Studies program. Talk with the department chair about applying for the Hurley award, which funds students who design their own educational experience in a foreign country. Consider joining other students on the Annual Spring Break Shakespeare Trip to Staunton, Virginia.

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