2025-2026 Honors English Application

Florida Atlantic University Department of English Honors Program

Tentative Application Deadline — Friday, February 28th @ 5:00pm

The [English Honors Program](https://www.fau.edu/artsandletters/english/honors-programs/english-honors/) offers an opportunity for our best and brightest English majors to engage in advanced research within a supportive community of undergraduate peers. The program is designed for

* students who plan to pursue a graduate degree in a variety of fields, including literature, writing, rhetoric, communication, library studies, and law
* students who want to quantify their research skills and demonstrate research proficiency to future employers
* students who want to develop problem-solving, critical thinking, and analytical skills that will enable them to excel in their chosen career field or field of study

English Honors Eligibility

**Course & Credit Eligibility:** To be eligible for English Honors, by the end of the Spring 2024 semester, applicants should have

* completed at least 60 credits towards their B.A. degree and 151 credits towards the English Major
* completed or be enrolled in ENG 3822: Introduction to Literary Studies OR LIT 3213: Literary Theory / PHI 3882: Philosophy of Literature2

GPA Eligibility3: Applicants should have a GPA4 of 3.0 and a GPA in the English Major of 3.5 or higher.

1. The English Undergraduate Committee may consider excellent students with fewer than 15 credits in the major and/or 60 credits towards their B.A. degree.
2. Students who have not yet taken ENG 3822 or LIT 3213 / PHI 3882 can petition to take either concurrently with Honors Seminar; approval will be granted at the discretion of the English Undergraduate Committee
3. The English Undergraduate Committee may consider excellent students who do not yet meet GPA threshold(s).
4. Students can use either their institutional/FAU GPA or overall GPA

Application:

Please submit your completed application file(s) to Prof. Regis Fox ([mannr@fau.edu](mailto:mannr@fau.edu?subject=English%20Honors%20Application)) with the subject “English Honors Application.” Completed applications for the 2025-2026 English Honors Program must be received no later than Friday, February 28th @ 5:00pm.

1. completed application cover sheet (below)
2. a copy of your (unofficial) current transcript highlighting all English major courses (you can save a pdf copy from your MyFAU transcript area or a recent DARS degree audit report)
3. a brief (1-2 page) statement of purpose that
   1. outlines your reason/s for wanting to participate in the Honors Program and
   2. describes potential areas of interest for your honors thesis (while you may not have a specific topic in mind, you should have some broad area of interest or approach you can discuss)
4. a copy of a single essay of literary analysis written for an upper-division English class that exemplifies your best work (5-10 pages); please include the course title and instructor

You will be contacted by email once a decision has been made on your application. Contact the Director of Undergraduate Studies and Honors English, Prof. Regis Fox ([mannr@fau.edu](mailto:mannr@fau.edu?subject=Questions%20About%20Honors%20English%20Program)), with any questions.

Florida Atlantic University English Honors Application Cover Sheet

section 1

Contact & Credit Information

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| Name: |  | | Z#: | |  | | | | | | Email: | |  | | |
| Cumulative Credits Earned1: | |  | | | | FAU or Overall GPA2: | | | | | | | |  | |
| 1. Credits earned up to Fall 2023; do not count courses in which you are currently enrolled. 2. If you transferred to FAU from another college or university, you have a choice—you can include your overall GPA (your GPA calculated from all courses at all institutions) OR your FAU GPA (your GPA from only courses taken at FAU). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Credits Earned in the Major3: | |  | | | | English Major GPA: | | | | | | | |  | |
| 3. In the English major (does not include ENC 1101, 1102 or the LIT 2010/30/40/70 courses) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Completed (or enrolled in) ENG 3822 Introduction to Literary Studies? | | | | | | |  | no |  | yes | | term/year/grade: | | |  |
| Completed (or enrolled in) LIT 3213 Literary Theory or PHI 3882 Philosophy of Literature? | | | | | | |  | no |  | yes | | term/year/grade: | | |  |
| Expected Graduation (semester/year): | | | |  | | | | | | | | | | | |

section 2

Spring 2024 English courses in which you are enrolled

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| Course Prefix/Number |  | Course Title |  | Instructor |
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section 3

FACULTY REFERENCES

Provide the names4 of two English Department faculty members who would be able to speak about your work. These should be professors familiar with your work in upper-division courses.

4. You do not need to ask for letters of reference or letters of recommendation

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