

Barstow Community College
English Department
And
English AA-T Degree

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English Department Statement of Purpose/Mission Statement:

The English Department at Barstow Community College prepares students to accomplish their academic, professional, and personal goals by providing them with opportunities to improve their communication, language, organization, and academic quality writing skills. The faculty, courses, and program provide opportunities for global awareness through access to literature, critical thinking through reading and writing, and personal and professional growth through communicating consistently, professionally, and respectfully.

English Department Outcomes:

Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

Write essays that demonstrate college-level composition skills, such as organization, a strong thesis, credible content, and appropriate citations.

Demonstrate research and analytical techniques that will benefit them across many disciplines, including those needed for business and technical writing situations. In some classes, students will learn analysis of literature and writing in appropriate contexts.

English Department Links and Resources

[Online Writing Laboratory \(OWL\)](#) at Purdue University - Has a little bit of EVERYTHING!

[Project Gutenberg](#) - Check out all the pieces of classical literature available to you for free!

[Grammar Bytes](#) - Want some practice on grammar?

[Dianahacker.com](#) - Offers citation instruction in MLA, APA, and other styles for help formatting essays

[Guide to Grammar and Writing](#) - Help for grammar issues from the word and sentence level to the paragraph and essay level!

English - Associate of Arts for Transfer (AA-T)

Always refer to the current catalog and see a counselor regarding programs, educational plans, and catalog rights. <http://www.barstow.edu/College-catalogs.html>

Catalog Description – English AA-T

The Associate in Arts in English for Transfer Degree (AA-T) will help prepare students for transfer to a 4 year institution by developing strong writing and re-visioning skills, research skills, critical thinking and problem solving skills, discussions skills, and the overall ability to organize, and analyze and present ideas. In addition, the skills and abilities cultivated by

the study of English are excellent preparation for any field which requires wide literacy and solid writing ability, including teaching/education, advertising, law, public relations, and work in print and electronic media.

Program Level Outcomes - English AA-T

Upon successful completion of this program, student should be able to:

- Understand the relationship between purpose and audience in texts.
- Apply writing process techniques such as invention, outlining, organizing, revision, and editing to any given writing assignment in academics as well as professional settings.
- Respond critically to a variety of texts.
- Develop and apply critical thinking skills in multiple genres

Required Courses	Units
ENGL 1B Introduction to Literature	3
ENGL 1C Critical Thinking and Composition	3
List A: 2 Courses from the following	
ENGL 12 Survey of American Literature	3
ENGL 2 Survey of English Literature	3
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List B: Any Course from the following	
ENGL 7 Creative Writing	3
List C: 1 Course from the following or any courses from List A or B not selected	
ENGL 4 Introduction to Shakespeare	3
ENGL 5 Introduction to Children's Literature	3
ENGL 6 Graphic Novel as Literature	3
SPAN 1A Beginning Spanish	4
SPAN 1B Elementary Spanish	4
Total Units for Major	18-19
General Education (CSU GE or IGETC) Units	39
Elective (CSU Transferable) as needed to reach 60 degree applicable units	
Total Degree Units (maximum)	60