



Degree: Master of Arts in Education **Licensure:** English Language Arts Education (6-12)

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English Language Arts Education Webpage: <https://liberalarts.vt.edu/departments-and-schools/school-of-education/academic-programs/english-education/licensure-english-education.html>

English Education Webpage: http://www.soe.vt.edu/englished/DegreePrograms/MA_in_English_Ed.html

Applications Due: Application deadlines for admission into cohort are October 15th and March 1st each year. Later applications will be considered as space allows. Applications from candidates who have already completed an undergraduate degree or who apply from other universities will be reviewed on a rolling admissions basis. Apply to the Graduate School (non-thesis) online.

Applying: Space in the program is limited and acceptance is competitive / minimum GPA of 3.0 in last 60 hours. If eligible, English majors may apply for dual status admission during the last semester of their undergraduate coursework. Once application materials have been reviewed, eligible applicants will be contacted for an interview.

Bachelor's Degree: English or 36 hours of specific coursework beyond Freshman English

Teacher Assessments: *pass prior to applying (Please note PRAXIS CORE is NOT Required)*

1. [Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment \(VCLA\)](#)
2. [Praxis Subject Assessment – English Language Arts: Content Knowledge \(test code: 5038\)](#)

Additional Test Information; *including study materials, costs, and registration*

- Praxis Subject Assessment - www.ets.org/praxis/va
- VCLA - www.va.nesinc.com

Professional Studies Requirements: typically met during the master's program, however the following options are available to undergraduates and required for licensure.

- Child Abuse Intervention Module:
http://www.dss.virginia.gov/family/cps/mandated_reporters/cwse5691/story.html
- Community CPR including AED & First Aid Courses
- Dyslexia Awareness Module http://www.doe.virginia.gov/teaching/licensure/dyslexia-module/story_html5.html
- Understanding the Regulations Governing the Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Elementary and Secondary Schools in Virginia:
<http://ttaconline.org/Resource/JWHaEa5BS755SrH6g1eGNg/Resource-online-modules-understanding-the-regulations-governing-the-use-of-restraint-and-seclusion-in>

ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR ENGLISH EDUCATION (6-12)

Students are encouraged to document how their plan of study meets these minimum requirements.

There is a document available online to be submitted with your graduate application.

ENGLISH MAJOR: YES ___ NO ___	
AREA & REQUIRED COURSES	APPROVED SUBSTITUTION
LITERATURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Literary Criticism:</i> ENGL 3324 Acts of Interpretation	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>American Literature:</i> ENGL 2534 American Literary History	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>British Literature:</i> ENGL 2544 British Literary History	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>World Literature:</i> ENGL 3514 Ethnic Literature for Children or ENGL 3694 Topics in World Novels	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Shakespeare:</i> ENGL 4164 Shakespeare	
LANGUAGE	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>History of the English Language:</i> ENGL 4054 History of the English Language	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Sociolinguistics:</i> ENGL/RLCL/SOC 3144 Language and Ethnicity in the US	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Sociolinguistics</i> ENGL/WGS 3134 Gender and Linguistics	
WRITING	
<input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 2744 Intro to Creative Writing	
<input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 2604 Introduction to Critical Reading	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Writing Elective - See Options below</i>	
UNDERREPRESENTED AUTHORS	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Underrepresented Authors Elective - See Options below</i>	
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Underrepresented Authors Elective - See Options below</i>	
EARLY PRACTICUM	
<input type="checkbox"/> ENGL 3734 Community Writing	

Approved Writing Courses	Approved Underrepresented Authors Courses
ENGL 3315 Playwriting	ENGL/AFST 2644 Intro to African American Literature
ENGL 3714 Creative Writing: Poetry	ENGL 3364 Topics in Literature by Women
ENGL 3764 Technical Writing	ENGL/AINS 2804 Contemporary Native American Literature
ENGL 3704 Creative Writing: Fiction	ENGL 3514 Ethnic Literature for Children
ENGL 3724 Creative Writing: Creative Non-Fiction	ENGL 3654 Ethnic American Literature
ENGL 3804 Technical Editing and Style	

Total Hours in English: _____ **GPA:** _____

VCLA Combined Score: _____

Reading Subscore: _____

Writing Subscore: _____

SAT/ACT: students will need to provide scores if not available from the Virginia Tech registrar

Praxis Subject Assessment Score: _____

Reading Subscore: _____

Language Use and Vocabulary Subscore: _____

Writing, Speaking, and Listening Subscore: _____

Please direct questions to Louisa LaBerge (jberge@vt.edu) in the Office of Academic Programs



Secondary English Language Arts Education Licensure Program Application
(VT Students)

Name: _____ Date: _____

e-mail: _____ Student ID (last 4 digits only) _____

Local Address: _____ Local Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Graduation Date: _____ Major: _____ Minor(s): _____

Applying for dual/accelerated status? OYes ONo Term and year you would like to enroll: _____

Application Checklist:

Submit with online Graduate School application

- Three (3) recommendation letters – minimum of two from academic references
- Test scores - VCLA, & Praxis Subject Assessment
- Transcripts (upload PDFs)

Submit to School of Education c/o Nancy Nolen¹

- Program application (this page)
- Content preparation checklist (page 2)
- Essay
- Dual/Accelerated Form (if applicable)

Essay Prompt

Please respond to one or more of the following questions; typed, double-spaced 2-3 pages

- What characteristics and dispositions do you possess that you feel will make you a good teacher?
- What made you want to become a teacher of the English language arts?
- What have you learned in past experiences when leading groups of adolescents?

Additional Comments

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