Career Opportunities

There is a popular misconception that the only career for someone who studies English is teaching high school or college. Contrary to popular belief, there is a wide range of opportunities available to those who study English. Those who study English can also:

Become a lawyer - Many lawyers start out with a strong foundation in English and then pursue pre-law.

Become a writer (journalist, novelist, essayist, technical writer, etc.) - Who better to explore the fascinating ins and outs of language than someone who has studied the greatest world classics?

Become a marketing specialist - If you can write about products and compel consumers to buy them, you can have a successful career in marketing.

Become a researcher – In your English courses you have to do extensive research and the ability to do research is a skill that many companies are willing to pay for.

Become a copy writer - Many companies need a copywriter at some point.

Copywriters are often enlisted to create newsletters, direct mail letters, and so many other pieces.

Become an editor (or editorial assistant) -Editors oversee the review, evaluation, and perhaps the solicitation of manuscripts for publication as books.

These are only a few of the many career opportunities available to students who pursue a pathway to a degree in English.

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What Does MDC Offer?

MDC North offers several interesting courses for students who earn an AA degree with a pathway to a major in English, including:

- CRW 2001 Creative Writing
- ENC 1112 Proofreading & Grammar
- LIT 2120 Survey of World Literature
- LIT 2330 Children's Literature
- LIT 2480 Issues in Literature & Culture

One of the more exciting opportunities offered at MDC North is being a part of *Axis* magazine. Once per year, our department publishes a creative arts magazine called *Axis*. Faculty advisors work with a team of students to collect, edit and publish works produced by North campus students. You may wish to have some of your own works published and/or take part in putting it all together!

The English department at the North Campus offers students several resources to support student development of writing skills:

The English Support Center (ESC) along with the Center for Student Success offers students, whose writing skills demonstrate a need for continued instructional support, the opportunity to register for ENC 1113 as a 1 or 2-credit course. ENC 1113 reinforces the principles of composition and is individualized to meet the student's specific needs. In addition, 30-minute sessions with a lab instructor can also be arranged on a limited basis without the need to register for ENC 1113.

The English Support Center also has an electronic classroom with 30 computer workstations and audio/visual equipment allowing instructors to use the latest in educational technology to enhance students' learning experience. There is a smaller open lab area available throughout the day, which gives students the opportunity to complete webbased assignments.