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## English



### Description

Do you have a passion for writing or enjoy studying literature? College of Western Idaho (CWI) can help develop your skills and allow you to follow your interests through our English program, which promotes critical awareness through the study of composition and diverse works and genres of literature as well as creative writing.

English majors may pursue bachelor's degrees and use their background in literature as well as creative and critical communication skills to enter virtually any profession. English majors often become lawyers, professional writers, teachers, administrators, managers, and business professionals. Completion of the program is designed to result in an Associate of Arts degree and meets the general-education requirements at all Idaho public universities. Course selection should be coordinated to meet requirements for your intended transfer institution.

### Mission

The CWI English program promotes critical awareness through the study of composition and diverse works and genres of literature and prepares students for continued university-level study in English or related disciplines. Goals: - Create an invigorating and diverse learning community in which students improve skills in written and verbal communication, deepen and refine critical thinking, and articulate the nature and cultural value of literary studies through analysis, interpretation, and critique. - Equip students with the skills, knowledge, and awareness needed to communicate effectively, make informed decisions, and contribute to the global community as lifelong learners - Foster cultural, social, philosophical, and historical inquiry through the study of literature

## Why This Program

Completion of an Associate of Arts in English is designed to prepare you to transfer to a four-year college or university and begin specialized courses at the junior level. This degree is not meant to prepare the students for employment immediately after degree completion. If you do not want to pursue a four-year degree, an associate degree may enhance marketability; however, most English professions require a bachelor's degree as a minimal education requirement. English majors often become lawyers, professional writers, teachers, administrators, managers, and business professionals.

## What You Will Learn to Do

- Understand literature as an expression of the variety and complexity of human life and use literature to reflect on one's own place in the human experience
- Recognize and understand the formal elements of fiction, poetry, and drama to interpret how they are used to convey meaning
- Apply critical perspectives to literary works
- Understand traditions of research approaches in literary studies
- Synthesize ideas from a range of writers representing different times, styles, and cultures
- Understand literary works as aesthetic objects that can be appreciated for their creative and imaginative expression
- Develop habits of mind, including showcasing a critical stance towards text, culture, and communication; rhetorical understanding of context, purpose, and audience; cultural and global awareness; and interdisciplinary exploration of history, social science

## Clubs



## English Club

The purpose of English Club is to foster appreciation of the English Language in all artistic forms.

## Additional Opportunities

Students of English may join the English Club, which hosts readings of student and faculty writers from CWI. In addition, CWI annually publishes Basalt, a student literary magazine. The English program also hosts a Visiting Writer each semester who works with small groups of students as well as gives a public reading.

## Associate of Arts in English - 101 Start

Degree Type:

AA

Length:

24 Months

Delivery Formats:

Traditional, Online, Degree Fully Online

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AA

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## Important Dates for Credit Programs

	<b>Fall 2014</b>	<b>Spring 2015</b>	<b>Summer 2015</b>
<b>Registration Open</b>	April 14	November 10	April 13
<b>Financial Aid Priority Date</b>	July 14	December 1	May 11
<b>Admission Deadline</b>	August 8	December 22	May 15
<b>Tuition and Fees Due</b>	August 22	January 9	May 29
<b>Last Day to Register</b>	August 22	January 9	May 29
<b>Classes Begin</b>	August 25	January 12	June 1*

\*Some classes begin before this date. See [class schedule](#) [1] for more information.

Please refer to our [Important Dates](#) [2] for more information.

## Financial Aid Available

Did you know that as a student in this program you may be eligible for financial aid? Through grants, [scholarships](#) [3], and loans, more than 60 percent of first-time, full-time CWI students receive some form of financial assistance. To learn more about financial aid options and whether you may be eligible, visit [Financial Aid](#) [4].

## Tuition and Fees

Tuition for a full-time CWI student averages half the cost of a state university and a third of the cost of a private college. Tuition and fees vary based on program and residence. Visit [Tuition and Fees](#) [5] for more information.

## Advising

Navigating your way through college can be confusing, especially if you try to go it alone. CWI One Stop Student Services offers advising assistance, to help in deciding which courses you need to take to complete your educational goals. Visit [Advising](#) [6] for more information or contact [One Stop Student Services](#) [7] to schedule an appointment.

## Transfer

Look beyond your degree at CWI and plan for continuing your education by working closely with CWI advising and representatives of your intended transfer school. Planning before you transfer can save you time and money. Visit [Transfer Information](#) [8] for more information or contact [One Stop Student Services](#) [7].

## Career Information

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Professions

- Lawyers
- Writers
- Teachers
- Administrators
- Managers
- Business Professionals

## Locations



### Nampa Campus Academic Building

5500 E. Opportunity Dr. Nampa, ID 83687



## **Ada County Campus Pintail Center**

1360 S. Eagle Flight Way, Boise, ID 83709



## **Nampa Campus Aspen Classroom Building**

6002 Birch Lane, Nampa, ID 83687



## **Nampa Campus Multipurpose Building**

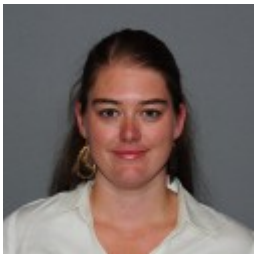
6042 Birch Lane, Nampa, ID 83687



## **Nampa Campus Micron Center for Professional Technical Education**

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