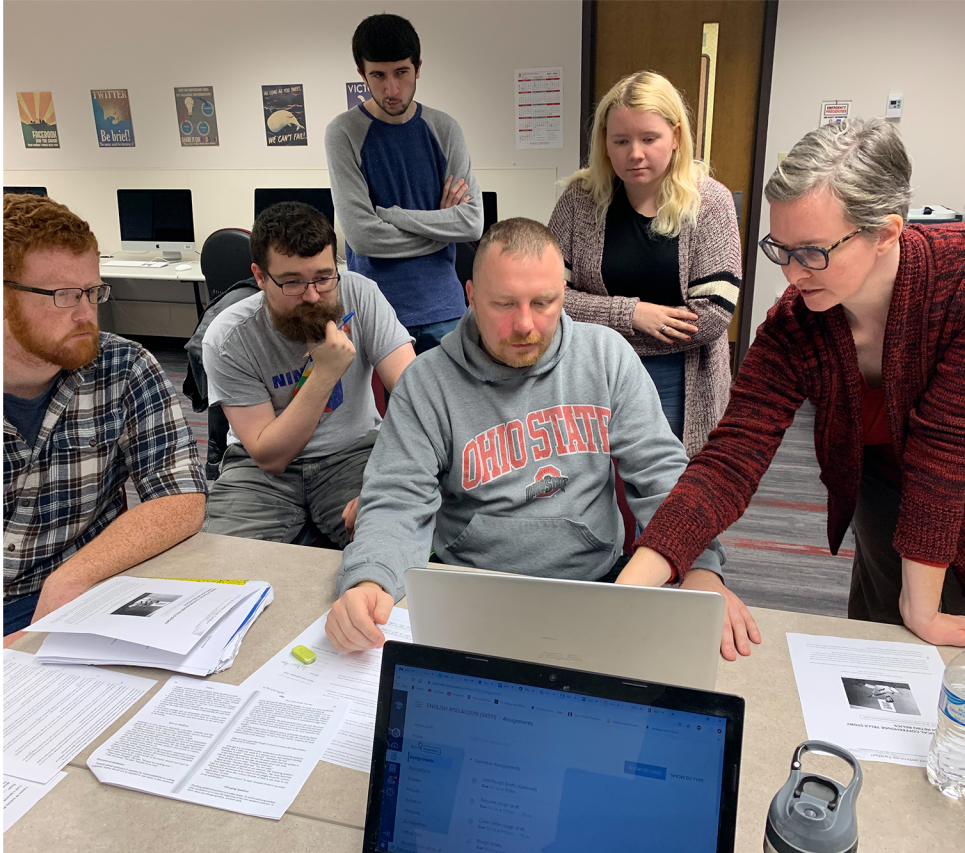


# Majoring in **ENGLISH**

at *Ohio State Marion*



## **ABOUT THE ENGLISH MAJOR**

You can complete your Bachelor of Arts in English entirely at Ohio State Marion. With this degree, you will become better prepared to think critically, to construct sound arguments based on evidence, to write creatively and elegantly, to design texts in a variety of media, and to understand the historical and cultural contexts in which texts are produced and received.

You'll also come away prepared for the fast-paced, ever-changing landscape of today's professional environment through internships, study abroad programs, and independent research projects.

Additionally you can minor in creative writing or professional writing, excellent ways to enhance your degree and stand out in the job market.

### **CAREERS IN ENGLISH**

journalist, social media manager, digital content manager, fundraiser, technical writer, news anchor, poet, lawyer, freelance writer, public relations specialist, business owner, public policy analyst, human resources specialist, librarian, publisher, teacher, grant writer, editor, novelist, web site designer, announcer, advertising account executive

### **SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES**

Lauren Chivington ('17) currently a graduate student at University of Chicago

Beth Mohan, ('08) an attorney in Kentucky

Tabitha Heath ('14) senior editor and Content Strategist, JP Morgan Chase

Natalie Walston ('97) reporter for NPR and local NBC affiliate, now in public relations

Jeff Kuhn ('06) former Peace Corps English teacher, linguist, education technology researcher

Justin Bell ('04) graphic artist, printing business owner in Marion, Ohio

Carlee Beatty ('10) high school English teacher at Metro Early College High School in Columbus, Ohio



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## EXPERIENTIAL **LEARNING**

Learning happens best when it is tied to real-world situations, and our English degree offers several opportunities to develop skills and knowledge in real-world context. Think of yourself as a budding dramatist, poet, storyteller, or even editor? Our **“Theater for Social Change”** residency each spring gives English majors the opportunity to work with critically acclaimed playwrights and directors and see their written works come to life on stage. Additionally, you can work on our literary magazine, **Cornfield Review**, as well as craft your own essays, poems, stories, videos, blogs, and comics for publication. If you would rather share your creativity in person with your peers, join our creative writing club **“KAPOW!”**

Curious about how reading and writing can impact people’s daily lives? You can get involved in one of the English department’s many service learning or outreach programs. **Pride and Lifeskills Mentoring (PALS)**, a joint program with the local Boys and Girls Club, is a mentoring experience that connects students with area youth. Our **Pay It Forward** program is a project supported by the United Way that allows students to learn about non-profit organizations and the grant writing process.

Want to meet with and interview local industry leaders? Check out the **Marion Memories Project**, which collects oral histories of workers to document science, technology, and industry involvement in the region.

## SAMPLE **CLASSES**

At Ohio State Marion you’ll take courses on science fiction, comics, film, digital media, creative writing, and literary publishing, as well as more traditional types of English study such as poetry, literature, expository writing, and linguistics.

**Introduction to Video Game Analysis** - Learn why games aren’t just for fun, but also contribute to our culture in various ways: technological innovation, artistic expression, social commentary, and more.

**Special Topics in Women in Literature** - Study “bad women” in literature and figure out why this character type is so enduring across time periods and genres.

**Digital Media Composing** - Learn how to communicate ideas and make arguments using a variety of media “languages” while creating videos, data visualizations, podcasts, memes, GIFs, and more.

## OUR **FACULTY**

Ohio State Marion faculty are leading scholars in their fields, as well as award-winning teachers. Small discussion-based classes allow students to work directly with faculty on projects related to research, service learning, creative writing, and digital media.



## **STUDENT** SPOTLIGHT

**Amber Alexander**  
junior English major  
from Springfield, Ohio

“What has helped me at Ohio State Marion is the ability to be part of things such as the Theater for Social Change. We have a director and a playwright from New York come in and work with us on our writing. Each year we tackle a topic, such as prison reform or the challenges facing small cities and rural communities. Last year it was about the environment.”

“I think being able to use my love and skill of writing and my love and skill of theater to help change the world in the way I want to is really beneficial to me. Marion has really helped me in that aspect.”

