



## English

**Degree Offered:** Choose from **three** Bachelor of Arts degree programs: the liberal arts English major, Adolescence English leading to New York State Teacher Certification, and the Professional Writing and Rhetoric Specialization

### Minors Offered

- Literature and Composition • Literature • Public Relations • Professional Writing • Writing

### Career Options:

Professional or Technical Writer, Magazine or Book Editor, Proofreader, Media or Public Relations specialist, Journalist, Teacher, Administrator, Communications Associate, Marketing Coordinator, and a variety of career options requiring strong writing and analytical skills. Students continuing to graduate school can pursue professional careers in law, library science, administration, business, social work, and higher education.

### English @ Daemen

- In addition to studying the classics, you can choose from a variety of innovative courses on topics such as Magical Realism, Exile Literature, Understanding Africa, Social Media, Film, Imagining Trauma, Rhetoric and Argumentation, Irish Literature, The Scottish Renaissance, The World of Sherlock Holmes, and Writing for the Web.
- Small class sizes (13:1 student/faculty ratio) facilitate interaction with faculty members dedicated to teaching through personal attention to each student.
- Daemen offers 3 programs in 1 department which are aligned with the college's mission and core competencies: Literature, Writing, and Communications. Our cohort approach allows for English majors to be in the same English courses their first 4 semesters.
- The English Department at Daemen places emphasis on writing, supported by faculty trained as Composition and Rhetoric specialists with particular areas of expertise.
- The core English curriculum prepares students for positions that require reading, writing, critical and creative thinking abilities, as well as for graduate study in a variety of professional fields.
- The curriculum permits students considerable freedom in selecting areas of study but also requires students to work closely with their individual faculty advisors.

### *Where are recent graduates employed?*

- Financial Associate for Digital Media, GroupM
- Customer Care Agent, Yahoo!
- Marketing Project Coordinator, H&K Publications
- Counselor, Horixon Health Services
- Graduate Student in Media Studies, The New School, NYC
- Communications Assistant, The Fresh Air Fund
- English Teachers, Buffalo Public Schools
- Library Director, Withee Public Library, Withee, Wisconsin
- Law Student, University of South Carolina School of Law

## English Students at Daemen are INVOLVED:

- Students organize a variety of English Club events, including the Shakespeare Banquet, literary trips abroad, and creative writing groups.
- Students gain real-world experience through both internship positions with area businesses and campus activities, including writing for and editing The Writer's Block, the student literary magazine, and The Insight, Daemen's online student newspaper.
- Take advantage of the many opportunities in front of you. Visit the Tower of London and Westminster Abbey. Attend a conference and meet prize-winning journalists in Washington, D.C. Join Sigma Tau Delta, the national honor society for English majors. Share your work at a campus poetry reading. Put on scenes from a Shakespeare play and enjoy a Renaissance feast! Tour the homes of Emily Dickinson and Nathaniel Hawthorne, and walk around Thoreau's Walden Pond.

*did you know...*

English students at Daemen have taught literacy, worked in local television news, studied abroad in Ireland, completed internships with major US companies, travelled to London to visit literary sites, made documentary films, attended journalism conferences in Washington, D.C., and conducted research in the British Library?

## Recent Graduates' Jobs:

Financial Associate for Digital Media, GroupM; Customer Care Agent, Yahoo!; Representative, Internal Revenue Service; Communications Assistant, The Fresh Air Fund; Writer, SAWS; Head of References Services and Lecturing Fellow, Duke University Law School; Marketing Project Coordinator, H&K Publications; Law Student, University of South Carolina School of Law; Counselor, Horixon Health Services; English Teachers, Buffalo Public Schools, South Park High School, Syracuse City School District, Las Vegas Public Schools.



### Cassandra, English, Class of 2019

"After Daemen, I plan to go to graduate school to receive a Master's degree in Library Science and then go on to become a Librarian. Daemen College is the perfect environment for me. I like having a friendly relationship with my teachers, who know who I am, some of my interests, and what kinds of things I struggle with. The English Department is like a small family within the school. This helps people within the department get to know each other well and even become good friends."

#### When asked about her service learning experience, Cassandra said:

"My freshman year here at Daemen, I completed a service learning course in which I had the opportunity to work with refugee children and help them read while they waited for their doctor's appointments. I learned so much about the refugee situation in America and gained a greater respect and more sympathy for what refugees have to go through. At my service learning site, I saw how happy the children, parents, and grandparents were for the children to have an opportunity to read with someone and take a free book of their choice home after their appointment."

#### Cassandra believes in the education she is receiving at Daemen:

"If you are considering coming to Daemen, do it. You will make great friends and receive a wonderful education. There are many student organizations you can join including the English Club, our newspaper Insight, and The Writer's Block. By joining the clubs, you meet people who have interests similar to yours. College is for getting a higher education and for making new, lasting friendships, and Daemen is a great place to do both."

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