NORTHERN
STATE UNIVERSITY

Major: English, BA (Bachelor of Arts) & Secondary Education, BSED (Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education) 2025-2026 4-Year Plan Guide

English Major: 55 credit hours, Secondary Education Major: 42 credit hours Total Degree Requirements: 132 credit hours

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog.

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
FYS 101 Seminar	Major	2
ENGL 101 Composition I	SGR #1	3
CMST 101 Foundations of Communication	SGR #2	3
MATH 103 or higher	SGR #5	3
Literary Context Elective	Major	3
EDFN 102 Introduction to Education	Teacher Education & Additional Requirements	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**17**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
ENGL 201 Composition II	SGR #1	3
Social Science Elective	SGR #3 First Course	3
ENGL 284 Introduction to Literary Criticism	Major	3
ENGL 221 British Literature I	Major & SGR #4 First Course	3
ENGL 242 American Literature II	Major	3
SPED 100 Introduction to Persons with Exceptionalities	Teacher Education Requirement	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**18**

SECOND YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Natural Science Elective	SGR #6 First Course	3-4
Foreign Language Elective	SGR #4 Second Course & Additional Program	4
ENGL 285 Professional Development in the Major	Major	1
ENGL 222 British Literature II	Major	3
ENGL 283 Introduction to Creative Writing	Major	3
ESPY 302 Educational Psychology	Teacher Education Requirement	3
EPSY 296 Field Experience	Teacher Education Requirement	0
	Total Credit Hours:	**17-18**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Natural Science Elective	SGR #6 Second Course	3-4
Foreign Language Elective	SGR #4 & Additional Program Requirement	4
ENGL 241 American Literature I	Major	3
LING 443 Development of the English Language	Major	3
EPSY 428 Child & Adolescent Development	Teacher Education Requirement	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15-17**

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THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Social Science Civics Elective	SGR #3 Second Course	3
Foreign Language Elective	SGR #4 Third Course & Additional Requirement	4
Human Values Elective	Additional Requirement	3
Media Writing Elective	Major	3
Theory Elective	Major	3
SEED 396 Field Experience	Teacher Education Requirement	1
	Total Credit Hours:	**17**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
ENGL 490 Seminar	Major	3
ENGL 494 Internship	Major	3
ENGL 330 Shakespeare	Major	3
Creative Writing Elective	Major	3
Themed Literature Elective	Major	3
SEED 460 Elevating Content Literacy	Teacher Education Requirement	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**18**

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
ELRN 485 Classroom Technology	Teacher Education Requirement	3
ENGL 313 Foundations in English: New Media	Major	3
EDFN 445 Teaching English Learners	Teacher Education Requirement	3
SEED 420 5-12 Teaching Methods	Teacher Education Requirement	3
SEED 496 Field Experience	Teacher Education Requirement	1
EDFN 440 Classroom Management	Teacher Education Requirement	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**15**

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
INED 411 SD Indian Studies	Teacher Education Requirement	3
EDFN 472 School Law & Ethics	Teacher Education Requirement	2
SPED 441 Inclusive Methods for Diverse Learners	Teacher Education Requirement	2
SEED 488 Secondary Student Teaching	Teacher Education Requirement	3
	Total Credit Hours:	**13**

COMMENTS & NOTES

Notes:

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As part of the Bachelor of Arts, students in this program must complete the Bachelor of Arts Requirements