



English 620: English Major Internship

The Department highly recommends pursuing an internship opportunity if you are able. Internships are a good way to gain work experience in your field of interest before you graduate. Many internships are non-credited experiences; they are, by definition, non-academic (non-classroom) experiences to which you apply the knowledge you have gained during your academic experience. However, some departments at UNH have carefully crafted credited internships within an academic framework; for these, you must work closely with a professor who directs an academic component of the internship that has been agreed upon and planned in advance of the experience. As an English Department major, you could arrange to register for ENGL 620, English Major Internship, if you would like to receive academic credit for your internship, and it is related to your major.

Your first step should be to identify an internship of interest through Career Services. The internship should be with an established organization approved by Career Services. You must then identify and approach an English Department faculty member and ask if he or she agrees to be your faculty sponsor. Your sponsor will work with you to develop an academic component to your internship. This typically includes reading and writing assignments, culminating in a final project. Regular meetings with your sponsor to discuss your progress and internship work should also be part of your ENGL 620 experience. A proposal form is required and can be obtained in the English Department main office (Hamilton Smith, room 113). This is a credit/fail course worth 1-4 credits and does not count as one of the English major requirements. Registration for the course follows normal Registrar's Office guidelines.

English 620 should not be confused with English 720, which is the required internship for all English/Journalism majors. For questions about the Journalism Internship, please contact Prof. Lisa Miller, Hamilton Smith 104, 862-0251, lc.miller@unh.edu

Career Services utilizes Wildcat Careers to post internship opportunities available to UNH students. Visit the Wildcat Careers website to start your internship search: www.unh.edu/uacc/wildcatcareers.html

If you have any questions about ENGL 620 or would like to pick up a proposal form, please see Carla Cannizzaro in room 113 of Hamilton Smith Hall or email carla.c@unh.edu

Proposal for English Major Internship (ENGL 620)

Semester:

Number of credits:

Name:

UNH ID:

Local Address:

Phone:

E-mail Address:

Name of employer/company:

Address:

Phone:

Date work will begin:

Date work will end:

Number of hours to be worked each week:

Description of Internship: Attach a description of a page or two in length addressing the following questions. What specific tasks will you perform as an intern? What are your goals for this experience? What do you hope to learn? How will this experience contribute to your future career interests? How does this internship relate to the English major?

Academic Component: Write an additional page or two describing the academic component of your internship. List books and articles that you will read, and writing assignments you will complete for your faculty sponsor, including a final project. How frequently do you plan to meet with your sponsor?

Please Note: ENGL 620 may NOT be used to fulfill any English major requirements. It is strictly an elective course.

Signature of student: _____ Date: _____

Name of faculty sponsor: _____ *(please print)*

Signature of faculty sponsor: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Chair: _____ Date: _____