English, General Literature & Rhetoric

Major Overview:
The Department of English, General Literature and Rhetoric offers students the opportunity to study literature and language in a deeper and more complex manner than students may have experienced in high school. Literature courses deal broadly with genres and themes from the past and present. Students will learn how to read and analyze texts from perspectives other than their own. Paired with creative writing courses, students will further develop imaginative thinking. Paired with rhetoric courses, students will further develop an understanding of persuasive theory and practice, as well as the history of oral and written communication.

Research Areas:
For more information on research and internship opportunities please refer to:

The English Department Internship Program
[http://www.binghamton.edu/english/internships/index.html]

InternMatch Marketing Internships [https://www.internmatch.com/s/marketing-internships]

For information on the Honors Program go to the English, General Literature and Rhetoric page of the University Bulletin.

Post-Graduation:
The skills you will gain as an English major will enable you to pursue a wide range of careers, by empowering you to express yourself in a clear and insightful manner. With a background in English, you will expand your written and oral skills. You will learn how to engage others, by elaborating on, questioning, clarifying, describing, and arguing a range of points effectively. Your ability to express ideas and read critically will help you in careers that include but are not limited to:

Arts Critic
Attorney
Business Administrator
Business Owner
Editor (newspapers, magazines, print and online)
English as a Second Language Teacher
Grant Writer
Journalist
Courses:
Courses to consider your first year include the following:

- WRIT 111: Coming to Voice
- ENG 227: British Literature I
- ENG 228: British Literature II
- ENG 230: Medieval Literature

Click here to access the University Bulletin for an in-depth description of each course. [http://bulletin.binghamton.edu/]

Thank you.

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