

Minor in Humanities for Professionals.

Many business and industry leaders wish that students had a firmer grounding in the humanities. At Lamar, the traditional humanities courses—literature, writing, rhetoric, language, and philosophy—are housed in the Department of English and Modern Languages. This minor, offered by the Department of English of Modern Languages, offers students pursuing a professional degree—nursing, pre-med, computer science, business degrees, engineering degrees, and others—a broad sampling of humanities courses. The Department of English and Modern Languages intends for the minor to be flexible and adaptable to students’ desires. We anticipate that the Department of English and Modern Languages will design other courses to fit into the minor. We hope the minor will give professional degree holders a competitive edge in seeking a job.

- 1) Students must take ENGL 3310 Technical Writing or ENGL 3326 Advanced Exposition.
- 2) Then Students may take 15 hours of course work in English (literature, writing, or rhetoric), Philosophy, or any language (French, Spanish, German, sign language, or others) with only six hours of 2000 level and no 1000 level philosophy or English courses. For instance, students may take the 12 hour sequence in French or Spanish in order to gain what is considered “reading knowledge” and then take one of the writing courses above and another course of their choice. Or they could take six hours of language and then literature and philosophy courses. Or they could take all literature classes or all philosophy courses.
- 3) Students should have at least 45 advanced hours total in their degree, and they are encouraged to have at least 6 hours advanced hours in their minor.
- 4) (6-2016) Students should turn in a writing sample from one of their courses in the minor and/or a written statement about the application of humanities to a professional degree or plan.