

**MAJOR FIELD ASSESSMENT PLAN  
B. A. ENGLISH**

The mission of Southeastern Louisiana University is to meet the education and cultural needs, primarily of Southeast Louisiana, to disseminate knowledge and to facilitate life-long learning through quality instruction, research and service in a safe, student-centered environment.

The purpose of the B.A. in English is to develop effectiveness in communication, provide cultural and social background, and prepare student for entrance to certain professions and vocations.

**Goal 1**

English Majors should have broad knowledge of all areas of Liberal Arts.

A. Expected Outcome

Majors Will have adequate knowledge of literary theory, literary history, and major literary works.

Assessment

Locally developed objective test.

B. Expected Outcome

Majors will have adequate knowledge of the English language, including grammar, rhetoric, and composition.

Assessment

Critical essay on a poem.

C. Expected Outcome

Majors should express satisfaction with the quality of instruction and the overall learning environment provided by the Department of English

Assessment

SLU Exit Survey  
Department Survey 1-7.

**Goal 2**

To provide students the necessary skills to engage in scholarly research in the area of English.

**A. Expected Outcome**

Majors should be able to write a coherent, persuasive essay that is well organized and developed, grammatically correct, and stylistically appropriate for a diversity of occasions.

**Assessment**

Critical essay on a poem.

**B. Expected Outcome**

Majors should be able to analyze intelligently and critically both prose and verse.

**Assessment**

Critical essay on a poem.

**C. Expected Outcome**

Majors should be able to use the major indices and library resources pertinent of research in English and in other appropriate fields.

**Assessment**

80% of majors will earn B or better in LS 102.