In the English concentration, you will:

- Explore the rich variety of literature written in different times and places.
- Communicate effectively, using written, oral, and visual modes appropriate to your audience and purpose.
- Analyze, synthesize, and evaluate diverse information, ideas, and perspectives in a contextually appropriate manner.

To graduate with an A.A. in Liberal Arts with an English concentration, you will need to:

- Earn at least 62 credit hours.
- Complete the Gen Ed Core.
- Complete the Arrupe Mission Core.
- Complete at least two 200-level ACENG courses.

Arrupe College usually offers one 200-level English course per semester. You can choose from course topics like fiction, rhetoric, poetry, memoir, Shakespeare, and African-American literature. Check LOCUS to see which courses are currently available.

What can I do with an English concentration?
English is a versatile field. Instead of preparing for one specific career, English majors develop reading, writing, and communication skills that are useful in a variety of fields. Earning an A.A. with an English concentration can lead to jobs such as:

- preschool teacher or teacher’s assistant
- library technician
- freelance writer

If you decide to pursue a B.A., you can continue studying English. People who earn a B.A. in English can go on to work in fields such as:

- human resources
- sales
- nonprofit fundraising
- project management
- law
- copywriting
- journalism
- brand and social media management
- education

Another option is to earn a combined B.A./M.A. in English and Education.

How can I learn more?
Here are some ways to start exploring whether English is the right fit for you.

- Browse information about being an English major: Most college departments have a website with information about the majors they offer. Check out Loyola’s English department website (https://www.luc.edu/english/). It’s also good to check out information provided by English departments at other colleges and universities.
- Explore your interests: Look for events sponsored by colleges or departments that interest you. You can also look for student organizations focused on your academic interests (https://luc.campuslabs.com/engage/).
- Explore information about careers: Visit Loyola’s Career Services page (https://www.luc.edu/career/). They offer a resource called “What Can I Do With This Major?”