Should you choose English as a major?
Why English?

- Do you like to read?
- Do you like to write?
- Do you like to discuss ideas?
- Do you like to talk and/or write about what you read?
- Do you want to become a more sophisticated (wiser) reader?
- Do you want to write more clearly and effectively?
- Do you want an opportunity to refine your thinking and arguing skills?
If you said “yes” to most of the previous questions...

Then maybe you should be an English major.
The English Department's mission is to exercise and strengthen students' critical thinking and writing skills with the goal of encouraging the habits of life-long learners.

Our program is literature-based and writing-intensive.

As the largest department on campus, we are able to offer a great variety of courses and academic options.

Even though we are the biggest department in the university, we are able to recognize individual students’ needs and interests.

English classes tend to be smaller than the average class in the university in order to allow for stimulating class discussion and the opportunity for students to express themselves.

All our students work closely with an advisor to determine the best course of study.
The English Program at MTSU

Students may choose one of five different concentrations.

- Traditional English Major
- 7-12 Teaching Concentration
- English with a Concentration in Cultural Studies
- Literary Studies Concentration
- Writing Concentration
Beyond College

- The strength of a traditional liberal arts degree is that a well-educated person can always learn new things.

- The English department’s emphasis on clear and logical communication prepares students for a wide range of occupations.

- Unlike degree programs that emphasize one or two vocational tracks, our program produces well-rounded individuals that can find a future in a variety of occupations.
Some Careers for English Majors

- Advertising/public relations
- Creative writing
- Editing
- Law (after law school)
- Library work, research (with or without further education)
- Management (with or without business school)
- Professional/technical writing
- Public service
- Publishing
- Reviewing/evaluating
- Software development
- Teaching
In Conclusion

English is an intellectually challenging, well-respected major that allows students to pursue a variety of different interests.

English doesn’t prepare students for just one career. English students learn skills that are desired in many different fields.

English prepares students to keep growing intellectually and professionally all their lives.

Our majors will enter an ever-changing workforce equipped to keep up with it.