English BA Learning Outcomes

1. Students will closely read such literary genres as poetry, prose fiction, and drama in order to interpret them not only in terms of content, but also in terms of literary style.
2. Students will develop a substantive claim about works of literature.
3. Students will support a substantive claim about works of literature using literary-critical techniques.
4. Students will quote primary sources effectively in support of a critical argument.
5. Students will, when appropriate, effectively analyze and integrate secondary source material into their own arguments.
6. Students will situate works of literature in terms of the cultural, literary, historical, and/or biographical context in which they were produced.