Focus on Careers:

ENGLISH

English graduate study at Brandeis allows students to focus on multiple topics related to literature and the English language, as well as related disciplines. Both doctoral and master’s students enjoy a relatively small program size that allows them to develop close working relationships with faculty and peers. Ph.D. students design and teach their own writing seminars, preparing them for professorships. Graduate students’ mastery of high-level research and writing skills can lead to other jobs in areas as diverse as business, government, and non-profit sectors. Former Brandeis English Ph.D. and M.A. students are currently employed in a wide variety of careers including academia, the financial sector, and governmental institutions.

POSSIBLE AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT

- Publishing
- Technical writing
- Independent school teaching
- Higher education administration
- Public relations
- Government
- Journalism
- Writing and editing
- Non-profit
- Consulting
- Communications
- Grant administration

REPRESENTATIVE JOB TITLES

- Educator
- Researcher
- Scholarly publisher
- Technical writer
- Professor
- Writing center director
- Editor
- Technical writer
- Grant writer
- Literary agent
- Online content editor

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

- Clear, concise oral and written idea expression
- Write concisely and persuasively
- Research and gather information
- Read critically
- Analyze and summarize information
- Organizational skills
- Problem solving skills

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

To learn more about the field and career options in English, please visit:

- Modern Language Association
  mla.org
- Book Jobs
  bookjobs.com
- Jobs in Journalism
  journalismjobs.com
- American Copy Editors Society
  copydesk.org
- National Council of Teachers of English
  ncte.org
- American Association of University Presses
  aupnet.org

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