

A Guide for UNG Associate of English Pathways, 2026-27
(includes A.A. English Pathway and A.S. English Education Pathway)
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This Guide will answer many of your questions, help you decide which courses to take, and explain the English Department's Plans of Study for your A.A. or A.S. Degree. You'll probably need to read this guide more than once and refer to portions of it now and again.

Getting Started

To begin with you'll get advised at the [Academic Advising](#) office within Student Services. They can access your student account and your plan of study. To make an appointment conveniently, see the [Advisement Appointment System](#).

Find information about your A.A. or A.S. degree [here](#). At the bottom of the page are links to the **Plan of Study** for your degree. Choose either the "English Pathway" or the "English Education Pathway" and copy the Plan of Study you need for your degree.

Learn about **DegreeWorks** [here](#). You'll find DegreeWorks in your Banner account. (In Banner, follow the menu items Student, Student Records, and Student Tranguid.) With the help of DegreeWorks and your advisor, you can use your Plan of Study like a to-do list.

Through hyperlinks, DegreeWorks gives you easy access to a number of useful online services: undergraduate catalogs, class schedules, your transcripts, help desk services, and FAQs.

However, DegreeWorks will be less helpful for transfer students, because of the number of variables involved. Transfer students require individual attention and decisions that cannot easily be encoded into DegreeWorks. Your advisor can help.

As you work through your degree, you'll check off courses on your Plan of Study as you earn credit for them. (Credit typically means an A, B, or C grade – but some courses require a B or higher for Education majors.) If you don't remember all your courses or grades, use your Tranguid in Banner to guide you. Everything left unchecked is what you still must complete to graduate.

If you're **transferring courses from another school**, the University Registrar evaluates your transcript and decides if a transferred course meets our requirements. If you disagree with the Registrar's decisions, you may appeal by submitting, to the chairperson of the relevant department, a memo presenting your case, including documentation about the course (e.g., a syllabus or a letter from the instructor) and the course description from the other school's catalog.

If the appeal is acceptable to the department, it must then be approved by the University Registrar. (See, on the University website, the Registrar's documents on [Transfer Credit](#).) Many transfer students find that they have taken some courses that do not apply to their UNG degrees.

You may be planning to transfer to another school after you finish your A.A. or A.S. degree. If you're planning to go to another school *within* the University System of Georgia, your core courses will transfer, but you should still consult with an advisor at the other school, especially concerning the courses in the "Field of Study" portion of the IMPACTS core.

If you're planning to go to a school *outside of* the University System of Georgia, *we cannot guarantee* that all the courses you take here will apply. Consult *carefully* and frequently with an advisor at the other school.

Frequently Asked Questions

When do I register? Follow the Registrar's instructions [here](#) to find that information in your Banner account.

What will *this* course be like? The best way to learn about a specific course is to talk to the professor who teaches it; ask for a copy of a recent syllabus. Also talk with students who have taken it.

Can I take courses online? The University System's eCore courses (that is, online courses) will all apply to your degree. But you should remember that online courses may require skills and aptitudes (e.g., considerable persistence in working independently) that may not be required in your classroom courses. See the catalog for [a list of offered courses](#).

What is an advisor? Who is my advisor? An advisor is, typically, a member of the University faculty or staff with experience in helping students get their degrees. Advisors are excellent resources for you to answer any questions you have, help you choose appropriate courses, and help you stay on track for meeting graduation requirements.

When you enter UNG, you will typically start at the Advising Office (mentioned above).

It is *strongly recommended* that you check in with your advisor every semester – even if you are positive that you know what you are doing. In the best case, your advisor will simply review your plan and tell you that you're doing a good job. Much more frequently, your advisor will ask why you have certain classes planned and, when necessary, make recommendations which may keep you more on track.