of recent Notre Dame English majors started full-time employment, enrolled in graduate school, entered service programs, or launched independent projects within six months of graduation.

**49%** started full-time jobs

- Account executive, Yelp
- Admissions data and communications coordinator, Pepperdine University
- Assistant editor, Ave Maria Press
- Assistant marketing manager, Condé Nast
- Associate, PwC
- Associate applications developer, AT&T
- Brand specialist, Kraft Heinz Company
- Business technology analyst, Deloitte
- Communications associate, AARP
- Consultant, Collaborative Impact
- Content manager, Amazon.com
- Digital marketing analyst, Acuity Group
- Digital strategy consultant, IBM
- Editor, World Book
- Editorial assistant, HarperCollins Publishers

**28%** enrolled in graduate or professional school

- Creative writing: New York University, University of North Carolina at Wilmington
- Education: University of Florida, University of Oregon
- English: Georgetown University, Oxford University, University of St. Andrews, Villanova University
- Fashion journalism/marketing: Condé Nast College of Fashion & Design
- Fiction writing: Columbia University
- Film: Prague Film School
- International relations: University College Dublin
- Irish language: National University of Ireland

**17%** entered service programs

- Alliance for Catholic Education, Tucson, Arizona
- Christian Appalachian Project, Kentucky
- College Possible, Portland, Oregon
- Haitian Project, Haiti
- House of Brigid, Ireland
- Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Boise, Idaho
- Teach for America, Chicago, Illinois

**4%** launched independent projects

- Irish writing: Trinity College Dublin
- Journalism: Stanford University
- Law: Baylor University, Duke University, Georgetown University, Marquette University, St. John's University, Syracuse University, University of Miami
- Library and information sciences: University of Washington
- Marketing: Northwestern University
- Medicine: Loyola University Chicago, Michigan State University, Northwestern University, University of Cincinnati, University of Florida, University of Kansas, University of Miami, University of Texas
- Poetry: Louisiana State University, Miami University, University of Iowa
- Political science: Yale University
- Psychology: University of Minnesota
- Public history: Northeastern University
- Publishing: University of Denver

**Kate Girdhar '17**

**English major**
**Graduate student, Emory University School of Public Health**

“Majoring in English at Notre Dame is particularly wonderful for its small classes and participatory approach to learning. I was encouraged to think creatively, and I learned from my peers. The design of the program gives you a lot of freedom to discover unusual and interesting elective choices, but guarantees that you’ll understand a broad historical and cultural swath of the canon of English literature.

“Now that I’m studying public health, communication is of incredible importance. Communicating scientific findings and encouraging behavior change requires a careful study of socially appropriate and effective ways of speaking, media methods, and literacy levels, all of which relate directly to my academic background in English.

“In my English classes, I studied far more than language or literary devices. I studied religion, education, politics, identity, history, disease, justice, race, and gender among the pages of those books assigned to me. With that kind of background, and the willingness and capacity to look deeper, I am prepared for the unexpected directions in which life may take me, and I look forward to education and personal growth that does not end with graduation.”

**Curriculum requirements**

- Introduction to Literary Studies
- 9 English electives, meeting requirements of various periods of literary history, literary culture, and genre

**Optional Concentration in Creative Writing**

- Requirements of the English major
- 4 creative writing courses (3 of which can count toward the English major)

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