

Western Kentucky University Department of English

# LITERATURE CONCENTRATION

Credit Hours: 40 for Majors, 21 for Minors

Through literature we develop a sense of identity, both as individuals and as members of multiple human communities. It gives us an historical consciousness, transmitting wisdom from the past and helping us critique cultural values of today.

## RECENT GRADUATES' CAREERS

- Attorney
- College professor
- Digital Marketing Manager
- Executive Non-Profit Director
- Chief Information Officer
- Academic Services Director
- Development Officer
- Director of Communications



**Brittany Ryan, Class of 2008**  
Executive Director, Queen Anne Farmers Market

As the Executive Director of the Queen Anne Farmers Market, Ryan oversees the market itself while in season, which are the months of June through October. During the remaining months, she is charged with fundraising, accounting, budgets, marketing, and attracting new vendors, all of whom are located Washington State. Ryan asserts that "the nonprofit world is filled with a number of beautiful challenges. I always have to be ready and willing to tell the story of QAFM." Ryan feels that studying literature at WKU has led to her success at QAFM because critical thinking, problem solving, and research are vitally important while running a non-profit organization.

For more information about the opportunities of the Literature Concentration, contact:

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