



## **Objectives for the HLGU English Major**

### **Statement of Mission and Purpose:**

The mission of Hannibal-LaGrange University is to provide an excellent education in both liberal arts and professional disciplines in a distinctively Christian environment that integrates Christian faith and learning in preparing graduates for personal and career effectiveness.

The mission of the English Department is to provide an excellent education in the field of English in a distinctively Christian environment that integrates Christian faith and learning in preparing graduates for personal and career effectiveness.

### **Objectives for the English Major:**

1. The English major will demonstrate skill in the art of written communication, utilizing the principles of effective style (i.e., diction, sentence structure, stylistic variety, and organization) and concrete development.
2. The English major will apply a factual knowledge base to the analysis and interpretation of literature. (The knowledge base includes an understanding of character, setting, theme, point of view, symbolism, and irony.)
3. The English major will communicate an appreciation for literature as a fine art, for writing as a significant rhetorical tool, and for linguistics as a foundational aspect of language study.
4. The English major will explain the general linguistic principles that characterize the English language.

**Our purpose is to help you discover  
God's purpose for your life.**