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Student Learning Outcomes for the B.A. in American Literature and Culture

The American Literature and Culture major offers a designated capstone program. Students have the option of completing a capstone seminar or other culminating work that enables them to use knowledge and skills acquired through previous coursework to engage, under the guidance of a faculty member, in literary research or other creative projects that result in a final paper or other product.

Students are expected to demonstrate:

- proficiency within a broad-based knowledge/skill set (research methods; critical thinking; analytical writing).
- familiarity with basic material for project; such material could include data from a variety of sources (academic archives, new media resources, etc).
- familiarity with relevant scholarly debates and current debates in the relevant field.
- ability to conceive and execute an independent project.
- skills in seminar or workshop format, oral and written communication, and defense of scholarship.