ENGLISH HONORS

The English Honors Program
To graduate with honors in English, students in the English Honors Program must take three Advanced Seminars (ENGL 390 Advanced Seminar or ENGL 395 Honors Tutorial), all of which count towards the major either as electives or as courses satisfying historical period requirements. Students in the Creative Writing Concentration may substitute one Advanced Workshop (ENGL 392 Advanced Creative Nonfiction Workshop, ENGL 397 Advanced Writing Workshop: Poetry, or ENGL 398 Advanced Writing Workshop: Fiction) for ENGL 390 Advanced Seminar. In order to be admitted to the English Honors Program, a student should have completed at least two English courses beyond composition and must have an average of at least 3.4 in all English courses. The student must maintain this average throughout the program. In some cases, ENGL 399 Special Studies in Literature (Independent Study) can be substituted for one of the honors tutorials. Students interested in the English Honors Program should contact the director of undergraduate programs.

Sigma Tau Delta
Loyola sponsors a chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the International English Honor Society. Sigma Tau Delta, a member of the Association of College Honor Societies, confers distinction for high achievement in the study of the English language and of literature in English, promotes interest in such study, and encourages creative and critical writing. Active members receive and have the opportunity to contribute to the society’s award-winning literary publication, The Rectangle, and are eligible to compete for writing awards and scholarships. To be eligible for membership in Loyola’s chapter, students must major or minor in English, have at least a B average in English, rank in the highest 35 percent of their class overall and have completed three semesters. New members are inducted in the spring. Interested students should contact the director of undergraduate programs.