

MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The English Department is committed to:

- Providing all Elon students with a life-enriching appreciation of literature, language, and writing,
- Helping all Elon students develop the ability to write more effectively,
- Providing English majors with a comprehensive education in their chosen field, encouraging careful specialization in one of the four concentrations within the major,
- Providing a rich variety of courses for non-majors as fulfillment of the General Studies requirements,
- Enriching the aesthetic and cultural climate of the university and the local community by sponsoring events outside the classroom,
- Playing a part in the development of interdisciplinary minors, especially Women's and Gender Studies, African American Studies, Environmental Studies, Professional Writing Studies, Classical Studies, New Media Authoring, and Latin American Studies, by offering courses in these areas.
- Providing scholarly and professional role models for our students.
- **Using technology in forms that enhance the teaching, learning, and practicing of language, literature, and writing.** *[Added to Mission Statement and approved unanimously by department March 11, 2004.]*

TECHNOLOGY STATEMENT OF THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

The English Department is committed to using technology in forms that enhance the teaching, learning, and practicing of language, literature, and writing. *[added to Mission Statement and approved unanimously by department March 11, 2004]*

Because we appreciate the impact technology has had and can have on literate practices, we strive to remain informed about the ways it affects not only our teaching but also the production, reception, and circulation of language and literacy. As informed professionals, we strive to make wise decisions about how we integrate technology pedagogically and to develop in our students a critical awareness of technology within English studies. *[approved unanimously by department March 11, 2004]*