

# Why study English?

As passionate teachers of English, we strive to cultivate lifelong learners and critical thinkers who feel confident navigating and thriving in the world beyond school. The transformational nature of education and qualifications in English mean that quality Teaching and Learning is at the heart of our department. We value the knowledge and experiences students bring to the classroom; challenge and push students' thinking to enable them to fully engage with ideas in literature and ways of communicating in the world; and embrace the myriad of ways to 'do' English including through writing, reading, discussion and thoughtful engagement with writers' ideas. Our curriculum is broad, reflective and continually in conversation with students who are encouraged to work collaboratively, critically and creatively in order to explore and challenge each other's thinking as well as develop their own personal, creative, and critical voices.