

Hello/Hola/Salut/こんにちは from the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies!

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1) SPRING 2026 COURSES

Contact your Academic Advisor ASAP so you can register for your Spring courses.

ENGL 210: Intro to English Grammar	T/R 11:00	Dr. Basena
ENGL 210: Intro to English Grammar	T/R 12:30	Dr. Basena
ENGL 256: Intro to Creative Writing	MWF 10:00	Prof. Glover
ENGL 317: American Lit II	T/R 9:30	Prof. Johnson
ENGL 325: African-American Lit II	T/R 11:00	Dr. Walker
ENGL 357: Creative Writing III: Fiction	MWF 12:00	Prof. Johnson
ENGL 380: Identity & Social Media	MWF 2:00	Dr. Uddin *Hybrid*
ENGL 408: Shakespeare & Film	MWF 10:00	Dr. Kaloustian
ENGL 437: Literary Criticism & Theory	MWF 12:00	Dr. Evelyn *Hybrid*
ENGL 438: Senior Seminar	MWF 1:00	Dr. Evelyn *2nd Seven Weeks, Hybrid*

As always, we will also offer a variety of SPAN, FREN, and JAPN courses in the Spring.

2) HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH WINNERS



Ashley Guanotoa

We congratulate Ashley Guanotoa, who is majoring in Social Work Major, and Hermann Fokou Chendjou, President of BSU's International Student Association, for being winners of the 13th Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Knowledge Contest.

The questions and answers for this year's contest are as follows:

1. Spanish was the first European language to be spoken in what is now the U.S. In which US state was it first spoken in 1513? **Florida**
2. 12% of Maryland's population is Latino/Hispanic. Which country's immigrants have contributed the largest share of this population? **El Salvador**
3. Armando Pérez and Benito Ocasio are international music superstars. By what stage names are they better known?

Pitbull and Bad Bunny

4. People from Brazil and Portugal are not Hispanic. What adjective is used to describe people from Portugal and its former colonies? **Lusophone or Lusophonic**
5. La mujer más seguida en Instagram tiene 417 millones de seguidores. ¿Qué joven latina ostenta este récord?
Selena Gomez

3) ALPHA CHI HONOR SOCIETY: NOVEMBER 21

The Maryland Alpha Chapter of the Alpha Chi National Honor Society at Bowie State University will hold its annual new members induction ceremony on Friday, November 21 from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. in the Beacon Room (room 1230) of the Center for Natural Sciences, Mathematics, and Nursing. The theme for this year's ceremony is "Sowing the Seeds of Scholarship: Celebrating Academic Excellence and Growth," which aligns with America's Education Week (Nov. 17-21). The guest speaker for the ceremony is **Professor Shelagh Johnson**, lecturer in the Department of Language, Literature, and Cultural Studies.

Contact **Professor Angela Burrus** for more information on how to become a member of Alpha Chi.

4) YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



The Institute for Citizens & Scholars (C&S) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering civic engagement and developing leaders who strengthen democracy through education and community initiatives. C&S opened applications for its Youth Advisory Board (YAB), closing November 3, 2025.

The YAC will work closely with the Institute to help shape strategies and decisions that reflect the perspectives and experiences of young people across the country. Members will provide valuable insights to inform C&S's decision-making processes. By collaborating with organizational leaders, the council will play a key role in advancing the mission of C&S. You can learn more by clicking here:

<https://citizensandscholars.org/youth-advisory-council/>

5) FIGURES OF SPEECH RE-LAUNCHED

Figures of Speech, a student-run organization housed in the Department of Language, Literature, & Cultural Studies dedicated to bringing awareness to the Humanities, has been re-launched this year. Speak with English Majors Mikala Barber and Kevin Lopez Cruz for more information. You can follow them on Instagram by [clicking here](#).

6) WASHINGTON WRITERS' PAID FELLOWSHIP



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7) SIGMA TAU DELTA



Sigma Tau Delta welcomes new members.

Membership Requirements:

- Candidates for undergraduate membership must have completed a minimum of two college courses in English language or literature beyond the usual requirements in freshman English. The candidate must have a minimum of a B or equivalent average in English and in general scholarship and must have completed at least three semesters or five quarters of college course work. Candidates for undergraduate membership need not be majoring or minoring in the discipline of English.
- Candidates for graduate membership who did not hold undergraduate membership must be enrolled in a graduate program in English or one of its specializations, have completed six semester hours of graduate work or the equivalent, and have a minimum grade point average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale.
- Lifetime Membership Fee: \$80. \$40 goes to the Nu Nu chapter, which will bestow you with Honor Cords and a Medallion at your Induction Ceremony that you can wear during graduation. The other \$40 goes to Sigma Tau Delta's national office, which will supply you with your Sigma Tau Delta society pin and certificate. **LLCS can help pay for your membership fees.**

Email Dr. Kim Evelyn for more information: kevelyn@bowiestate.edu

To learn more about Membership Benefits, please click here: <https://english.org/join-us/membership-benefits/>