Bachelor of Arts

English: Professional and Creative Writing

Online Program

Program Overview

The specialization combines a liberal arts background in literature with specialized writing courses in creative writing (fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, screenwriting), business writing, professional writing, scientific and technical writing, editing, and publishing.

Students in this 74-credit specialization are expected to complete ENG 301 and ENG 303 prior to enrolling in other upper-division major requirements.

Program Requirements

I. Required Courses and Credits: (32)
   - ENG 263 - Introduction to Creative Writing ............................................. 5
   - ENG 301 - Introduction to Professional Writing ........................................ 5
   - ENG 302 - Poetry and Poetics ................................................................. 5
   - ENG 303 - Principles of English Studies .................................................. 5
   - ENG 320 - English Grammar .................................................................. 5
   - ENG 323 - Writing and Editing for Publication ......................................... 5
   - ENG 489 - Senior Colloquium ................................................................ 2

II. Approved Writing Electives: (27)
    Select 27 credits from a combination of department approved creative writing, professional writing and editing, and practicum courses. At least 2 credits must be practicum credits, and at least one 400-level elective class is required.

III. Literature, Linguistics, and Film Studies Courses: (15)
    Select 15 credits of department approved literature, linguistics, or film studies courses at or above the 300 level. No more than 5 credits of film studies may be counted as elective credits in the Writing Specialization.

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Student pursuing a Bachelor of Arts degree must complete two years of a foreign language in high school or one year in college by the time they graduate.