

Creative Writing Certificate

The Certificate Program in Creative Writing is a 33-credit program designed to help students grow as writers and readers. Guided by our accomplished faculty, students will take a sequence of literature and creative writing courses, have opportunities to interact with visiting writers, and attend readings, workshops, festivals and other special events. The program culminates in a capstone course, Portfolio Development, designed to help students prepare to apply to four-year writing programs and develop manuscripts for publication. Students earning the Certificate in Creative Writing may elect to continue their education at the College by earning the A.A. degree in Liberal Arts by completing 28 additional credits.

Program Entry Requirements

This program is open to all interested students. Students identified as needing developmental course work must satisfactorily complete the appropriate English and mathematics courses as part of their certificate program.

Program of Study and Graduation Requirements

Receipt of the Certificate is based on completion of a minimum of 33 credits of required courses, with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.0 (C average).

| Recommended Course Sequence | Course Number and Name | Prerequisite or Corequisite | Credits |
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| Program Core Courses and Electives - Creative Writing Certificate | | | |
| 5 | ENGL 205 - Creative Writing | ENGL 101 | 3 |
| 6 | One of the following: ENGL 208 - Intro to Lit Prose or ENGL 209 - Intro to Lit Poetry or any other Literature course | ENGL 101 | 3 |
| 8 | Directed Elective: Literature Course or ENGL 137 - Introduction to Theater (ENGL 137 recommended for students taking English 282) | ENGL 101 | 3 |
| 9/10 | Two of the following: ENGL 280 - Poetry Writing ENGL 281 - Fiction Writing ENGL 282 - Scriptwriting | ENGL 205 ENGL 205 ENGL 205 | 6 |
| 11 | Portfolio Development* | | 3 |
| General Education Courses | | | |
| 1 | ENGL 101 - English Composition 1 | | 3 |
| 2 | MATH 118 or above | | 3 |
| 3 | CIS 103 - PC Applications | | 3 |
| 4 | Social Science Elective | | 3 |
| 7 | ENGL 102 | | 3 |

Total to Graduate: 33 credits minimum

* Students must take Portfolio Development in order to graduate.

For More Information Contact:

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