

WRITING (B.A.)

BA-AH WRT

English Department
Bachelor of Arts (HEGIS 1507)

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The Writing B.A. degree program offers students an opportunity to combine the study and practice of the craft of writing with the study of literature, theater, television and communication arts. The writing degree program allows for the development of skills in creative writing, journalistic writing, literary writing, and/or professional writing. Students can take courses from a variety of disciplines to fulfill their requirements. The program is intended for students interested in the advanced study and practice of writing.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
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Intellectual Foundations Requirements

(http://ecatalog.buffalostate.edu/undergraduate/collegewide-degree-requirements-baccalaureate-degrees/#IF_Courses)

33-39 credit hours	33-39
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English Major Requirements (42 credit hours)

24 credits must be upper-division

Required Courses (12 credit hours)

ENG 190	INTRODUCTION TO LITERARY INTERPRETATION (must be taken immediately after completion of freshman composition requirement or within first year of transfer to English Department)	3
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ENG 201	THE CRAFT OF WRITING (Should be taken soon after completion of freshman composition requirement or within first year of transfer to English Department. Serves a prerequisite for upper-division writing courses.)	3
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ENG 410	COMPOSITION AND RHETORICAL THEORY	3
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ENG 490	SENIOR SEMINAR	3
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Electives in Writing (15 credit hours)

Select five courses from the following areas:	15
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Students may choose to concentrate their studies in one primary area or may select freely from across the options.

Creative Writing

ENG 170	INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING	
ENG 305	CREATIVE WRITING: NARRATIVE	
ENG 306	CREATIVE WRITING: POETRY	
ENG 402	ADVANCED CREATIVE WRITING: NARRATIVE	
ENG 403	ADVANCED CREATIVE WRITING: POETRY	
THA/ENG 340	PLAYWRITING	
THA 470	ENSEMBLE THEATER	

Professional Writing

ENG 245	WRITING ABOUT THE ARTS	
ENG 300	WRITING FOR THE PROFESSIONS	
ENG 302	TECHNICAL WRITING	
COM 308	PUBLIC RELATIONS WRITING	
COM 304	WRITING FOR BROADCAST (TV, RADIO, FILM)	
ENG 327	LITERARY PUBLISHING	
ENG 409	WRITING GRANTS AND PROPOSALS	

Journalism

COM 303	PRINT NEWS I: REPORTING	
COM 325	FEATURE WRITING	
COM 390	SPECIAL TOPICS: JOURNALISTIC WRITING	

Literary Genres

ENG 247	NATURE WRITING	
ENG 266	THE PERSONAL ESSAY	
ENG 320	AUTOBIOGRAPHY AND MEMOIR	
ENG 325	CREATIVE NON-FICTION	

Electives in Literature, Linguistics, or Film (15 credit hours)

Select five literature, linguistics, and film courses offered by the Communication, English, Modern and Classical Languages, and Theater Departments; at least two courses must be upper-division.	15
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All College Electives

39-45 credit hours	39-45
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Total Credit Hours	120
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