

WRITING (B.A.)

Bachelor of Arts Program

Program Code: BA-AS

Major Code: WRT

English Department

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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, professional writing, technical writing, journalistic writing, and literary 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
General Education 23 Requirements (http://ecatalog.buffalostate.edu/undergraduate/collegewide-degree-requirements-baccalaureate-degrees/#IF_Courses)		
33 credit hours		33
English Major Requirements (42 credit hours)		
24 credits must be upper-division		
<i>Required Courses (12 credit hours)</i>		
ENG 190	INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE	3
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 some upper-division writing courses.)	3
ENG 410	COMPOSITION AND RHETORICAL THEORY	3
ENG 491	SENIOR SEMINAR FOR WRITING MAJORS	3
<i>Electives in Writing (15 credit hours)</i>		15
ENG 170	INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING	
ENG 171	PORTRAIT MAGAZINE EDITING AND PRODUCTION	
ENG 245	WRITING ABOUT THE ARTS	

ENG 247	NATURE WRITING	
ENG 266	WRITING THE PERSONAL ESSAY, MEMOIR, AND AUTOBIOGRAPHY	
ENG 300	WRITING FOR THE PROFESSIONS	
ENG 302	TECHNICAL WRITING	
ENG 305	CREATIVE WRITING: NARRATIVE	
ENG 306	CREATIVE WRITING: POETRY	
ENG 325	CREATIVE NON-FICTION	
ENG 327	EDITING AND PUBLISHING ELM LEAVES JOURNAL	
ENG 340	PLAYWRITING	
or THA 340	PLAYWRITING	
ENG 402	ADVANCED CREATIVE WRITING: NARRATIVE	
ENG 403	ADVANCED CREATIVE WRITING: POETRY	
ENG 409	WRITING GRANTS AND PROPOSALS	
COM 303	WRITING FOR PRINT AND ONLINE JOURNALISM	
COM 304	WRITING FOR BROADCAST (TV, RADIO, FILM)	
COM 308	PUBLIC RELATIONS WRITING	
COM 325	FEATURE WRITING	
COM 390	SPECIAL TOPICS: JOURNALISTIC WRITING	
THA 470	ENSEMBLE THEATER	
<i>Additional Elective Courses (15 credit hours)</i>		
Select five literature, linguistics, rhetoric, and film courses offered by the Communication, English, Modern and Classical Languages, and Theater Departments; at least two courses must be upper-division. HUM 200 may be used to fulfill this requirement.		15
All College Electives		
45 credit hours		45
Total Credit Hours		120

Students will:

1. demonstrate the ability to produce effective, final texts in multiple genres
2. demonstrate an ability to Interpret advanced theoretical approaches to understanding the principles and practices of writing in genres of their specialization

3. demonstrate knowledge of related theoretical movements in rhetoric and literature in original writing
4. demonstrate a knowledge of the publishing industry and professional writing world
5. will participate in professional writing activities