

CREATIVE WRITING, MINOR

The minor in Creative Writing allows students to develop their skills in writing fiction, poetry, and/or creative nonfiction, through an offering of workshops that focus on form, narrative design, and the harnessing of imagination. By practicing the various crafts of imaginative writing, students gain insights into literature, providing a useful adjunct to majors such as English, Theater, and Modern Languages and Literature. Creative writing courses are centered on the workshop, where students share and discuss their work with their peers as they develop a shared set of skills and vocabulary necessary to the writing profession.

Students work directly with our published, award-winning writing faculty, as well as regular Writers in Residence and various authors visiting campus through the Patrick Hayes Writers Series. The Creative Writing minor provides an opportunity for students to develop and hone their writing skills in multiple genres, exploring their craft in wide-ranging introductory courses through more focused upper-level topics courses.

Creative Writing Minor

Before declaring a minor in Creative Writing, a student must have successfully completed at least two 300-level (or higher) creative writing courses.

English majors who choose to do a Creative Writing minor can only count two creative writing courses toward the major, and only two courses total can be counted toward both a major and minor. The Declaration of Minor form should be signed by the Director of Creative Writing.

Required Credit Hours: 20

Core Requirements

Two 300 or 400 level literature courses (6-8 credits) are required. The two literature courses can be taken in the English Department, or outside the English Department (for example in a Modern Language) at the discretion of the Director of Creative Writing.

Other credits toward the minor may be earned in the following courses:

Code	Title	Hours
Two 300 or 400 level literature courses (6-8 credits) are required.		6-8
Literature courses taken in the English Department will count automatically. To count literature courses offered outside the English Department (for example in a Modern Language) consult with the Director of Creative Writing.		
Electives		12-14
The remaining 12-14 credits for the minor are earned by taking any combination of the following courses:		
CRWR 212	Introduction to Creative Writing	
CRWR 368	Creative Writing: Fiction	
CRWR 369	Creative Writing: Poetry	
CRWR 372	Creative Writing: Nonfiction	
CRWR 465	Advanced Workshop: Special Topics	
CRWR 466	Advanced Workshop in Creative Nonfiction	
CRWR 468	Advanced Workshop in Fiction Writing	
CRWR 469	Advanced Workshop in Poetry Writing	
CRWR 471	Advanced Workshop in Screenwriting	
CRWR 476	Visiting Writer Master Class	
CRWR 482	Independent Study in Creative Writing	

THEA 317	Fundamentals of Playwriting
Total Hours	18-22