

Creative Writing

Bachelor of Arts (BA)

This degree map is based on the 2023-24 Academic Catalog and is subject to change. Students should meet with their academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress toward degree completion. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors including summer/winter enrollment, dual enrollment and number of courses successfully completed each semester. We recommend taking a minimum of 15 credits each fall and spring semester.

Sample 4-Year Plan

First Year			
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits
WRIT 103 Foundations in Composition	3	ENGL 204 Intro to Creative Writing	3
First Year Seminar	3	ENGL 211 Grammars of English	3
Oral Communications General Education Course	3	Diversity General Education Course	3
History General Education Course	3	Global Perspectives General Education Course	3
Quantitative General Education Course	3	Elective	3
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15

Second Year			
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits
Foreign Language General Education Course	3	Citizenship General Education Course	3
ENGL 290 Short Story	3	ENG 300 Fiction Writing Workshop	3
ENGL 280 Literature and Identity	3	ENGL 291 Poetry	3
Elective	3	ENGL 220 Global Literature	3
Elective	3	ENGL 250 Literary Theory and Forms	3
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15

Third Year			
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits
ENGL 301 Poetry Writing Workshop	3	ENGL 302 Non-fiction Workshop	3
ENGL 292 Literary Non-fiction	3	Ethical Reasoning General Education Course	3
ENGL 309 Practices of Creative Writing	3	Non-English Literature General Education Course	3
First Natural World General Education Course	3	Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15

Fourth Year			
Fall Courses	Credits	Spring Courses	Credits
ENGL 330 American Literature and Culture	3	ENGL 491 Senior Seminar	3
Second Natural World General Education Course	3	Technologies General Education Course	3
English Elective	3	Arts General Education Course	3
Elective	3	English Elective	3
Elective	3	Elective	3
Semester Total	15	Semester Total	15

Winter/Summer College - Optional

While not required, Winter and Summer sessions are offered each year and may help you satisfy general education courses. You may take up to seven (7) credits during Winter College and up to 14 credits during Summer College.

Curriculum Checklist

Core (12 credits)

- ___ ENGL 211 Grammars of English (3)
- ___ ENGL 220 Global Literature Survey (3)
- ___ ENGL 250 Literary Theory and Forms (3)
- ___ ENGL 491 Senior Seminar (3)

Concentration Specific Requirement (3 credits)

- ___ ENGL 204 Intro Creative Writing (3)

Literary Genre (9 Credits)

Select 3 Courses. Take the course in the semester before the corresponding workshop.

- ___ ENGL 290 Short Story (3)
- ___ ENGL 291 Poetry (3)
- ___ ENGL 292 Creative Nonfiction (3)
- ___ THEA 102 Intro to Theatre (3)
- ___ THEA 103 Theatre Appreciation (3)

Creative Writing Workshops (9 Credits)

Select 3 Courses. You must take the corresponding genre course before taking the workshop.

- ___ ENGL 300 Fiction Writing Workshop (3)
- ___ ENGL 301 Poetry Writing Workshop (3)
- ___ ENGL 302 Non Fiction Writing Workshop (3)
- ___ THEA 340 Playwriting (3)

Professionalization (3 Credits)

- ___ ENGL 309 Practices of Creative Writing (3)

Electives (6 Credits)

- ___ Any 200-level and above English class not listed above
- ___ Any 300-level and above English literature class

General Education Requirements (45 credits)

Note: English does not have any directed general education courses. The department strongly encourages students to fulfill the Literature requirement using a course from another department.

- Foundations (15 credits)
- Interconnections (9 credits)
- Citizenship & Responsibility (6 credits from at least two goals)
- Natural World & Technologies (9 credits)
- Creativity & Expression (6 credits)

Degree Requirements

All students must obtain a minimum of 120 credits, complete all General Education requirements, and all requirements for the selected major. Meet with your advisor and consult Degree Works to monitor your progress and for all graduation requirements.

Minors The Department of English urges all students to declare a minor. Courses on the degree map marked “Elective” could be courses for a minor. Courses marked “English Elective” should be courses chosen from among those indicated as electives on the Curriculum Checklist. Please consult with your advisor during your first semester to determine a suitable minor.

A minimum GPA of 2.0 in the major and overall are required.

Campus Locations

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| Lock Haven | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online; <input type="checkbox"/> In-person; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blended |
| Mansfield | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Online; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In-person; <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Blended |
| Clearfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Online; <input type="checkbox"/> In-person; <input type="checkbox"/> Blended |