

CREATIVE WRITING MAJOR, BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

Mission Statement: The Creative Writing Program develops students' abilities in creative writing in the genres of poetry, fiction, and non-fiction on a foundation of study of significant literary texts in British, American, and world literature.

Creative Writing is a studio program designed to help students publish their artistic work. It is not intended to prepare a student for a specific career; however, our creative writing graduates, while publishing artistic work, have found diversified careers in editing, publishing, grant writing, teaching, professional schools and many fields less directly related to their writing abilities. Courses in technical communications are complementary to these career interests.

Note: two years of a single high school world language or one year of a single college-level world language is required.

Students in the Creative Writing option are encouraged to register for 5+ credits from the following list of Breadth Area Core Requirements: HUMN 210 or HUMN 211 or history courses appropriate to the student's area of literary interest.

Some substitutions may be allowed.

Pre-Major Requirements

CRWR 111	CREATIVE WRITING ORIENTATION	1
CRWR 210	INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING (students must complete this course with a grade \geq B)	5

Required Workshops—choose two from the following 10

Note: courses from the workshop sequence require a \geq B average for the two courses together.

CRWR 217	BEGINNING FICTION WORKSHOP
CRWR 218	BEGINNING POETRY WORKSHOP
CRWR 219	BEGINNING NONFICTION WORKSHOP

Required CRWR Foundational Literature Surveys

CRWR 301	FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS: PROSE	5
CRWR 302	FOUNDATIONAL TEXTS: POETRY	5

Required English Literature Surveys—CRWR majors are required to choose three (some substitutions may be allowed) 15

ENGL 343	SURVEY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE I
ENGL 344	SURVEY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE II
ENGL 345	BRITISH LITERATURE I: BEGINNINGS THROUGH 18TH CENTURY
ENGL 346	BRITISH LITERATURE II: ROMANTICISM TO THE PRESENT
ENGL 347	WORLD LITERATURES
ENGL 350	SHAKESPEARE
ENGL/IDST 380	SURVEY OF NATIVE AMERICAN LITERATURE
ENGL/AAST 381	CONTEMPORARY AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE
ENGL 384	FOLKLORE
ENGL 385	MYTHOLOGY
ENGL 387	LITERATURE OF THE BIBLE

ENGL/GWSS 389	WOMEN, LITERATURE AND SOCIAL CHANGE	
Required Form and Theory Writing Courses—choose two from the following		10
CRWR 311	FORM AND THEORY OF FICTION	
CRWR 312	FORM AND THEORY OF POETRY	
CRWR 313	FORM AND THEORY OF LITERARY NONFICTION	
Required Workshop—must be repeated twice with choice of Fiction, Nonfiction or Poetry		10
CRWR 417	CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP	
Additional Creative Writing credits—choose from the following		5
CRWR 311	FORM AND THEORY OF FICTION	
CRWR 312	FORM AND THEORY OF POETRY	
CRWR 313	FORM AND THEORY OF LITERARY NONFICTION	
CRWR 415	PRACTICUM: WILLOW SPRINGS MAGAZINE, LIT. EDITING AND DESIGN (variable credit course)	
CRWR 416	PRACTICUM: WILLOW SPRINGS BOOKS, LIT. ED. AND DESIGN (variable credit course)	
CRWR 417	CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP	
DESN 360	ZINE AND PUBLICATION DESIGN	
Senior Thesis		
CRWR 491	CREATIVE WRITING SENIOR THESIS (must have senior status or have completed all 200–400 level requirements)	5
Total Credits		71

Plan of Study

The following plan of study is for a student with zero credits. Individual students may have different factors such as: credit through transfer work, Advanced Placement, Running Start, or any other type of college-level coursework that requires an individual plan.

Courses could be offered in different terms, checking the academic schedule is paramount in keeping an individual plan current. **Students should connect with an advisor to ensure they are on track to graduate.**

All Undergraduate students are required to meet the Undergraduate Degree Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/>).

This major requires the completion of the World Language requirement (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#worldlanguagetext>).

Students pursuing a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree must complete two years of a single language in high school or one year of a single language in college.

First Year			
Fall Quarter	Credits Winter Quarter	Credits Spring Quarter	Credits
CRWR 111	1 ENGL 201	5 CRWR 210	5
ENGL 101	5 Natural Science BACR 1 ¹	5 MATH 107	5
Humanities & Arts BACR 1 ¹	5 Social Science BACR 2 ¹	5 Humanities & Arts BACR 2 ¹	5
Social Science BACR 1 ¹	5		
	16	15	15
Second Year			
Fall Quarter	Credits Winter Quarter	Credits Spring Quarter	Credits
CRWR 217, 218, or 219	5 CRWR 217, 218, or 219	5 English Literature Elective ²	5
CRWR 301	5 CRWR 302	5 Global Studies - graduation requirement ¹	5

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Natural Science BACR 2 ¹	5 Diversity - graduation requirement ¹	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5
15		15	15
Third Year			
Fall Quarter	Credits Winter Quarter	Credits Spring Quarter	Credits
CRWR 311, 312, or 313	5 CRWR 311, 312, or 313	5 CRWR 417	5
English Literature Elective ²	5 English Literature Elective ²	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5
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15		15	15
Fourth Year			
Fall Quarter	Credits Winter Quarter	Credits Spring Quarter	Credits
CRWR 417	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5 CRWR 491 (Senior Capstone - graduation requirement)	5
Creative Writing Elective ³	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5
Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	5 Elective - certificate, minor, or general elective	4
15		15	14
Total Credits 180			

¹ University Graduation Requirements (UGR) and Breadth Area Course Requirements (BACR) courses may be less than 5 credits and additional credits may be required to reach the required 180 total credits needed to graduate. Students should connect with an advisor to ensure they are on track to graduate.

² Required English Literature Surveys—CRWR majors are required to choose three from the approved list.

³ Additional Creative Writing credits—choose from the approved list.

University Competencies and Proficiencies

English (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#newitemtext>)
 Quantitative and Symbolic Reasoning (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#mathcomprounciestext>)
 Placement and Clearance (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/placement/>)
 Prior Learning/Sources of Credit AP, CLEP, IB (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/prior-learning/>)

General Education Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#generaleducationrequirements>) (GER)

- Minimum Credits—180 cumulative credit hours
 - 60 upper-division credits (300 level or above)
 - 45 credits in residence (attendance) at Eastern, with at least 15 upper-division credits in major in residence at Eastern
- Minimum Cumulative GPA ≥ 2.0

Breadth Area Core Requirements (BACR)

Humanities and Arts (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#humanitiesandfineartsgectext>)
 Natural Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#naturalsciencesgectext>)
 Social Sciences (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#socialsciencesgectext>)

University Graduation Requirements (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#universitygraduationrequirements>) (UGR)

Diversity Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#cultureandgenderdiversityintheuslisttext>)
 World Language (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#worldlanguagetext>) (for Bachelor of Arts)
 Global Studies Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#internationalstudiesrequirementtext>)
 Minor or Certificate (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#majorminororcertificateugrtxt>)
 Senior Capstone Course List (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/undergraduate-degree/#capstonecourselisttext>)

Application for Graduation (use EagleNET (<https://inside.ewu.edu/eaglenet/>)) must be made at least two terms in advance of the term you expect to graduate (undergraduate and post-baccalaureate).

Use the Catalog Archives (<http://catalog.ewu.edu/archives/>) to determine *two important catalog years*.

Requirements in Degree Works (<https://inside.ewu.edu/records-and-registration/degree-works/>) are based on these two catalog years:

- The catalog *in effect at the student's first term* of current matriculation is used to determine **BACR** (Breadth Area Credit Requirements) **and** **UGR** (Undergraduate Graduation Requirements).
- The catalog *in effect at the time the student declares a major or minor* is used to determine the program requirements.

Students who earn a BA in Creative Writing at EWU should be able to:

- analyze works of literature using the technical language of the craft specific to their genre of study (literary fiction, literary nonfiction, poetry);
- articulate a critical understanding of the contemporary literary landscape;
- demonstrate an understanding of the publishing process;
- produce texts that conform to the conventions specific to the genre being studied (literary fiction, literary nonfiction, or poetry);
- provide constructive criticism of written works in progress.