

Program Information

The Creative Writing certificate program will provide students with a focus in the written creative arts including screenwriting and playwriting, the writing of creative nonfiction, poetry, and fiction, and writing for children and young adults. This may culminate in a capstone in one or multiple genres.

Program Goals

By completing this certificate, students will achieve the following learning goals:

1. Demonstrate critical knowledge of a wide range of creative writing and a variety of diverse cultural viewpoints;
2. Demonstrate expertise in critical analysis of professional works of literature as writers (reading as writers);
3. Demonstrate knowledge of genres and aesthetics by learning to write well in many forms. This includes a basic command of grammar;
4. Demonstrate intellectual discipline by narrowing one's creative focus and energies to produce the most effective work while meeting deadlines and managing time effectively; and
5. Demonstrate habits of creativity in the forms of creative problem-solving, experimentation, inventiveness, and revision.

Completion Requirements

- A minimum of 12 semester credits must be completed at ARCC.
- A minimum grade of C must be earned in all program and additional requirements.
- All course requirements must be complete before a certificate will be awarded.
- To complete your program, please submit the appropriate application found [here](#).
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

Program Requirements: 7 credits

- ☐ ENGL 1120 ♦ Cross-Current College Writing and Critical Reading **OR**
- ☐ ENGL 1121 ♦ College Writing and Critical Reading 4
- ☐ ENGL 2241 ♦ Introduction to Creative Writing 3

Additional Requirements: 12 credits

Choose two of the following:

- ☐ ENGL 2261 ♦ Creative Nonfiction Writing 3
- ☐ ENGL 2262 ♦ Poetry Writing 3
- ☐ ENGL 2263 ♦ Fiction Writing 3

Choose two of the following:

- ☐ ENGL 2251 ♦ Creative Writing for Stage and Screen 3
- ☐ ENGL 2271 ♦ Creative Writing for Children and Young Adults ... 3
- ☐ ENGL 2281 ♦ A Writer's Life: Paths to Publication 3
- ☐ ENGL 2291^ Manuscript Development 3

♦ Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.

^ Course requires Instructor permission.

NOTE: You are encouraged to contact an academic advisor at 763-433-1230 for course planning assistance and information about transfer credit evaluation and transfer options.