

# Creative Writing Minor



The Creative Writing minor offers art and design students an opportunity to give voice and shape to their creativity through a variety of written expressive forms. The minor provides guidance and support to students in a structured environment to develop their writing, and an exciting way to explore their personal visions through workshops and lectures.

## **Eligibility**

The Creative Writing minor is open to all majors. Students must be on track in their major and in good academic standing, with fewer than 6 credits behind and a cumulative GPA of 2.0.

## **Required Courses**

|             |                              |     |                |
|-------------|------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| LIBS212     | Creative Writing Workshop I  | 3.0 | (spring only)  |
| LIBS312     | Creative Writing Workshop II | 3.0 | (fall only)    |
| LIBS316/314 | Creative Writing Elective*   | 3.0 | (any semester) |
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| LIBS442     | Creative Writing Capstone**  | 3.0 | (fall only)    |

## **Total Credits**

**15.0**

*\* A limited choice of Upper Division Liberal Studies elective courses will count as Creative Writing Minor Electives, as determined each semester by the Interdisciplinary Studies Chair, Creative Writing Minor Head, and LAS Chair.*

*\*\* Students who have a dedicated capstone for their major will complete one capstone course that combines both their major and minor.*

*See Liberal Arts and Sciences Department for course descriptions.*

**Each enrolled student will receive an individual Academic Plan that outlines how this minor fits into their major.**

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## **Program Learning Outcomes:**

**Creative Writing Minor student work will demonstrate:**

### **Grow**

#### **Disciplinary Knowledge and Skills**

An understanding of genre and an exploration of writing in multiple forms.

#### **Proficiency in Industry-Standard Skills, Technologies, and Processes**

Ability to identify and employ writing techniques and habits of revision, workshop, and close reading that allow critical thought and expression.

### **Dare**

#### **Innovation**

Ability to combine writing with studio work in one's major and/or push boundaries between each field.

**Experimentation and Play** with language and narrative.

#### **Challenge Quo**

Willingness to challenge dominant worldviews and be flexible with ideas.

### **Reflect**

#### **Self-Awareness**

Cultivation of self-awareness through reflective writing, reading, revision, and peer feedback.

#### **Capacity to Communicate (Orally, Written, and/or Visually) about their Practice**

Ability to clearly articulate the relationship between creative writing and their major and how these studies will help them achieve personal and professional goals.

#### **Analysis of Both Ethical and Aesthetic Impacts of Art and Design**

Understanding of meaning, justice, and community in literature and in personal writing practice.

### **Connect**

#### **Ability to Work Well, Collaborate, and Build Relationships across Differences in Identity, Perspective, Aesthetics and Disciplines**

Ability to collaborate with writers and thinkers, exchanging ideas across differences in identity, perspective, aesthetic, and discipline.

#### **Integration of Skills and Concepts:**

Recognize the political and social elements of a text and demonstrate multiple critical approaches.

Experiment with the relationship between text and image and identify intersections between writing and one's chosen major.

### **Shine**

#### **Ability to define aspirations, future goals and their role within the creative economy.**

Defined aspirations, future goals and one's role as both a writer and maker within the creative economy.

#### **Awareness of audience and ability to cultivate relationships with others in their chosen fields.**

Developed awareness of audience and ability to nurture relationships in creative writing communities.

#### **Compelling presentation and exhibition skills, through Annual Exhibition, Capstone, and portfolios.**

Successful completion of the Creative Writing Capstone project that resonates with intended audiences.

#### **Proficiency in budgeting, time and project management.**

Ability to budget time to write and develop creative projects.

#### **Career readiness.**

Ability to advocate for your work, submitting projects for publication, exhibition, performance, or any opportunity to share with a community of readers and writers.