

Creative Writing

100% Online

OVERVIEW

Work with published authors to hone your creative writing skills.

The online Creative Writing Certificate at MSC Southeast offers you an in-depth, accelerated introduction to the writing craft. What would have taken you years of practice and research you'll learn in three to four semesters under the guidance of experienced faculty. Each course you take in the creative writing certificate will deepen your understanding of writing as a practice and a craft.

Though you will study fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and publishing, each class will expand on the various writing forms, devices, techniques, and structures that you will need to become an experienced writer. In addition to sharpening and expanding your writing, you will also read and respond critically to your peers, as well as to a variety of published works.

This certificate will challenge you not only to develop your own natural talents in the writing craft, but also to work on your less developed areas. When you complete the certificate, you will have developed a polished portfolio of workshopped, edited, and polished writing.

All courses in the Creative Writing Certificate are available 100% online. In addition, students who are working toward the Associate of Arts in Liberal Arts and Science can complete the Creative Writing Certificate as an area of emphasis by selecting creative writing coursework to satisfy elective requirements.

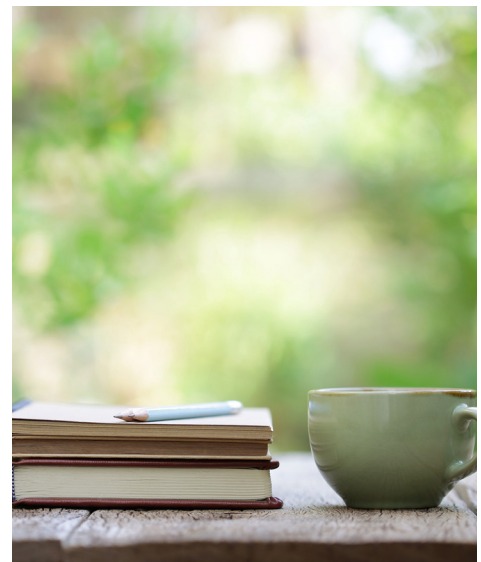
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Creative Writing Certificate 16 credits
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PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Program graduates will be able to:

1. Understand the elements, techniques, and theory of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry
2. Employ the use of character, style, setting, point of view, and plot in writing
3. Identify moments from experience or observation as potential themes for their own creative writing
4. Understand the role of audience in creative writing and the consequent implication of aesthetic standards
5. Apply constructive analysis to the revision of writing in order to more closely accomplish the desired effect on an audience
6. Examine select works foundational to contemporary writers
7. Describe the basic process for finding a venue and submitting work for publication
8. Analyze their peers' works in terms of craft and technique



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Taught by master instructors who are also practicing and accomplished writers

Guided assistance and feedback in creating a body of polished writing in multiple genres

100% online – work at your own pace as you strengthen your writing skills

2-year program allowing, over time, for reflective growth in your writing

Open to any aspiring writer seeking to acquire well-rounded instruction from published authors

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Beyond writing for personal interest or publication, expert writers can find employment in many fields:

- Copywriter or editorial assistant
- Magazine or newspaper journalist
- Marketing and public relations
- Public library support professional
- Social media content specialist

PROGRAM COSTS -
estimated cost including tuition,
books and supplies

Creative Writing \$3,663

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Fall Start Program Plan

Course No.	Course Name	Credits
First Semester (Fall)		
ENGL 1445	Introduction to Creative Writing (online)	3
ENGL 1165	Introduction to Literary Studies (online)	3
	<i>Semester total</i>	6
Second Semester (Spring)		
ENGL 2450	Creative Writing: Nonfiction (online)	3
ENGL 2460	Creative Writing: Poetry (online)	3
	<i>Semester total</i>	6
Third Semester (Fall)		
ENGL 2470	Creative Writing: The Business of Writing (online)	1
ENGL 2440	Creative Writing: Fiction (online)	3
	<i>Semester total</i>	4
	Total Required Credits	16

Transfer Credits

Expand your opportunities. Learn how your credits can transfer to other colleges and universities.

College Articulated Transfer Agreements: Specific agreements between MSC Southeast and other institutions to accept transfer credits.

Minnesota Transfer: Transfer information provided by Minnesota State colleges and universities, Minnesota private colleges, and the University of Minnesota.

Transferology: A nationwide network to assist students in determining which courses will transfer.