

CERTIFICATE IN WRITING (DISCONTINUED)

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The Writing Certificate is designed to provide a flexible framework within which students from all majors can develop proficiency in creative writing (poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction, screenwriting, playwriting) and forms of nonfiction such as criticism, (auto)biography, science writing, political and literary journalism, and writing about academic subjects for nonspecialists.

Beginning with the class of 2024, the Writing Certificate is no longer accepting new students. Students currently enrolled in the Certificate will be supported as they complete their degrees.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

To earn the certificate, students must take at least five full-credit courses. These include

- At least one course designated as an entry-level craft or technique course, but no more than two such courses;
- Three electives, one of which may be a second entry-level craft or technique course, at least one of which must employ a workshop format, and one of which must be a Permission-of-the-Instructor course. One one-credit senior thesis or senior essay tutorial may be counted as an elective if the thesis entails creative writing.
- WRCT350, a one-credit credit/unsatisfactory course, in which the participants work on compiling and revising portfolios of their work and present their work in class and to the public in events organized for this purpose.
- Students must achieve a GPA of at least 3.5 in the courses counted toward the certificate.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION