

Graduate Certificate Program in Creative Writing

The *Graduate Certificate Program in Creative Writing* is designed for writers wishing to pursue advanced, individualized study and practice in any genre(s): fiction, poetry, drama, non-fiction prose, and multiple genre work. With a diverse and well-published writing faculty, the English Department will work with all students to develop an appropriate course plan to suit their needs. Most courses qualify for teachers' re-certification and professional continuing education. Candidates must submit a writing sample of 5-10 pages along with their application.

To earn a Certificate in Creative Writing, students must complete 15 hours of coursework selected from the following list: ENG 508, 544, 558, 585 (Independent Study), 591, 592, and 593. Special Topics courses with a creative writing focus or creative writing courses available through MUGC Humanities may be substituted for up to 6 hours. A completed manuscript of twenty-five pages of original work constitutes the capstone requirement.

A maximum of 9 hours of the certificate program courses, with approval of the chair, would be applicable for those wishing to pursue the M.A. in English.