

# English and Creative Writing, BA

## Academic Plans

### Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the university's Four-Year Graduation Plan.

**Before the fifth semester begins:** at least six courses in the major, including ENGL:2010 Foundation of the English Major: Histories, Literatures, Pleasures; ENGL:2020 Foundations of Creative Writing: Craft, Practice, Pleasure; and an approved introduction to creative writing course (consult advisor).

**Before the seventh semester begins:** at least four more courses in the major and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

**Before the eighth semester begins:** at least two more courses in the major.

**During the eighth semester:** enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

### Sample Plan of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Course	Title	Hours
<b>Academic Career</b>		
<b>Any Semester</b>		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability <sup>a</sup>		
<b>Hours</b>		<b>0</b>
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Any Semester</b>		
ENGL:2010	Foundation of the English Major: Histories, Literatures, Pleasures <sup>b</sup>	3
ENGL:2020	Foundations of Creative Writing: Craft, Practice, Pleasure <sup>c</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: Understanding Cultural Perspectives <sup>d</sup>		3
RHET:1030	Rhetoric: Writing and Communication	4
Major: creative writing elective <sup>e</sup>		3
GE CLAS Core: International and Global Issues <sup>d</sup>		3
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts <sup>d, f</sup>		3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning <sup>d</sup>		3
ENGL:2030	Literary Readings Attendance <sup>g</sup>	1
Elective course <sup>h</sup>		3
CSI:1600	Success at Iowa <sup>i</sup>	1
<b>Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

### Second Year

#### Any Semester

Major: craft and methods course <sup>j</sup>	3
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Major: literature in cultural contexts course (prefix ENGL numbered 2451-2699 and 3441-3699)	3
Major: English elective or honors seminar <sup>k, l, m</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences without Lab <sup>d</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab <sup>d</sup>	4
GE CLAS Core: Values and Society <sup>d</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency <sup>n</sup>	4 - 5
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency <sup>n</sup>	4 - 5
Elective course <sup>h</sup>	2 - 3
Students with a second major in screenwriting arts should complete CINE:1300 Foundations of Screenwriting, CINE:1602 Introduction to Film Studies, and CINE:1834 Modes of Film and Video Production by the end of the second year to be on track for graduation with a double major.	

#### Hours

**32-35**

### Third Year

#### Fall

Major: English elective or honors seminar <sup>k, l, m</sup>	3
Major: Elective course <sup>l, m</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: Social Sciences <sup>d</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency <sup>n</sup>	4 - 5
Elective course <sup>h</sup>	1

#### Hours

**14-15**

### Spring

Study Abroad (optional)	
Major: literature in historical contexts (prefix ENGL numbered 2200-2450 and 3200-3440)	3
Major: a cultural context course or historical context course <sup>o</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives <sup>d</sup>	3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency <sup>n</sup>	4 - 5
Elective course <sup>h</sup>	3
Elective course <sup>h</sup>	1

#### Hours

**17-18**

### Fourth Year

#### Fall

ENGL:2040	English at Work <sup>g</sup>	1
Major: advanced writing elective or creative writing honors course or approved independent study project (see advisor)		3
Major: elective writing or literature course <sup>m</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>h</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>h</sup>		3
Elective course <sup>h</sup>		2

#### Hours

**15**

### Spring

Major: Elective course <sup>l, m</sup>	3
Elective course <sup>h</sup>	3
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Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline  
(typically in February for spring, September for fall)

<b>Hours</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>120-125</b>

- a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative or Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Society.
- b Major courses can be taken in any order as long as ENGL:2010 is taken before any 3000-level course.
- c Students must first complete ENGL:2010 and ENGL:2020 before they enroll in advanced courses for the major.
- d GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.
- e Students with a second major in screenwriting arts or theatre arts will usually fulfill this elective with a writing course from that major.
- f Recommended courses to fulfill this requirement: THTR:2301 or CW:1800
- g This course is recommended to fulfill the English elective requirement.
- h Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.
- i First-year and transfer students enrolling for summer or fall will take CSI:1600 course during the fall semester of their first year.
- j English courses numbered ENGL:21XX, 27XX, 29XX, ENGL:3010, ENGL:31XX, ENGL:37XX-38XX, and CNW:20XX-49XX may be used for the craft and method requirement.
- k Students with honors in the major complete three seminars. Visit the Department of English website for more information on applying to the English Honors Program.
- l Students choose courses with the prefix ENGL or CNW numbered 2000 or above.
- m Students may count a maximum of 6 s.h. from courses listed as creative writing electives. See the General Catalog for a list of courses.
- n Students who have completed four levels of a single language or two levels of two different languages in high school or college have satisfied the GE CLAS Core World Languages requirement. Students who have completed three levels of a single language may complete a fourth-level course in the same language or may choose an approved World Language and Cultural Exploration course. Enrollment in world languages courses requires a placement exam, unless enrolling in a first-semester-level course. Contact your academic advisor or CLAS Undergraduate Programs Office with questions concerning the World Languages requirement.
- o See the General Catalog for a list of courses.
- p Please see Academic Calendar, on Office of the Registrar website, for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Degree Services.