English (creative writing), M.F.A.

The Master of Fine Arts in English with a creative writing subprogram features advanced courses in writing fiction and poetry. Students in creative writing study at the Iowa Writers' Workshop, renowned as a pioneer in teaching writers since its founding in 1936.

Requirements

The Master of Fine Arts program in English with a creative writing subprogram requires a minimum of 48 s.h. of graduate credit. Students must maintain a cumulative University of Iowa g.p.a. of at least 3.00. The degree is offered through the Creative Writing Program (Iowa Writers' Workshop), a two-year residency program that culminates in a creative thesis, such as a novel, a collection of stories, or a book of poetry.

Throughout the program, workshop students craft their manuscripts and engage in an exchange of ideas about writing and reading with each other and with the renowned teacher-authors who make up the workshop’s faculty.

Admission to the program is competitive.

For details about the M.F.A. in English (creative writing) and about the Iowa Writers' Workshop, see Creative Writing (Iowa Writers' Workshop) in the Catalog.