English (creative writing), MFA

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.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates will:

• develop expertise in the art of writing through practical, immersive engagement with techniques and principles of craft in fiction or poetry;
• build deep knowledge and broad appreciation of the literary landscape through immersive engagement with diverse literary traditions;
• gain practical experience teaching literature, rhetoric, and/or creative writing at the college level;
• create and revise a significant body of top-level creative work in fiction or poetry;
• develop a strong individual artistic vision; and
• gain exposure to a wide range of career options in both academic and non-academic literary disciplines.