



CREATIVE WRITING

Creative writing major • Creative writing minor

100%

of our students
complete an internship
or undergraduate
research.

Join a passionate, supportive community of writers as a Franklin College creative writing major. Experiment with language and style, developing a unique voice. Under the guidance of award-winning and nationally published faculty, you will hone technical skills and your ability to collaborate, growing personally and professionally, ready to be a creative problem solver in the world.

THE CLASSROOM EXPERIENCE

Graduate-style courses and education customization

Want to write science fiction? YA fantasy? Movie scripts? Poetry? The next American novel? Take on all kinds of projects in Franklin College's creative writing classes, which span genres and encourage both traditional and hybrid forms. With small class sizes and teachers dedicated to students' interests, you will develop strong relationships with your instructors and peers, building meaningful, supportive communities that foster great work.

In introductory, intermediate, and advanced workshops, you will read work by contemporary writers in the field, many of whom will video conference with your class, and write your own pieces, building toward a final portfolio that showcases your abilities and skills. You will also celebrate your accomplishments with a senior reading of your work.

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BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Becoming a literary citizen

We are proud of the Carlson-Stauffer Visiting Writer Series, which welcomes acclaimed authors to campus to meet with students. These writers give public readings, sharing their work with the campus community. As a creative writing major or minor, you will get to network with these writers, meeting them personally, often over dinner together or in special workshops. Recent visiting writers have included the poets Terrance Hayes, Jamaal May, and Ross Gay, as well as fiction writers Deb Olin Unferth and Nafissa Thompson-Spires.

The English and Creative Writing department has a legacy of students publishing and presenting their creative work. You will be supported in this process, with opportunities to submit to Franklin College's student-run literary journal, the *Apogee*, as well as with guidance to pursue publication in national literary publications and connections with agents and publishing houses. The *Apogee* gives students the chance to work as editors, where you will solicit, read, and evaluate student work, preparing each issue of the journal.

As a creative writer, you will engage in significant professionalization in your coursework, including internships and special projects, which will prepare you to effectively bring your strong communication, collaborative, and creative problem-solving skills to the work force.

POST-GRADUATION

Abundant creative and professional opportunities

With your excellent critical reading, writing, and thinking skills and your ability to think creatively, you'll be well-equipped to make significant contributions to the work force.

- **Nonprofits:** Creative and performing arts management, grant writing
- **Business:** Marketing, corporate communications, sales, social media management
- **Writing:** Creative writing, editorial positions, literary agencies, technical writing, journalism, authorship, publishing
- **Education:** Elementary, secondary and higher education

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

- **Double major:** It's common for creative writing majors to pursue a second major or minor to craft a highly marketable and well-rounded set of skills. Common supplementary disciplines include English, political science, business, history, psychology and multimedia journalism.
- **On-campus employment:** Creative writing majors gain hands-on leadership experience as consultants in The Write Place, the college's writing center. Students of all majors bring in drafts and work directly with consultants to organize, clarify and polish their work, simultaneously amplifying creative writing majors' technical writing and leadership skills.
- **Department contact information:** Read more about the creative writing program at FranklinCollege.edu/creative-writing or contact Associate Professor of English George Phillips, Ph.D., directly at 317.738.8241 or gphillips@FranklinCollege.edu.