

Creative Writing



The following objectives and learning targets represent the major concepts studied and assessed in this course.

Course Objectives:

Upon completion of this course, the student will be able to:

- Identify and accurately summarize the elements of an essay: thesis, main ideas and supporting details.
- Develop and support a thesis for different purposes and readers.
- Employ the writing process, which includes invention, planning, drafting and revision.
- Demonstrate imaginative writing techniques using the principles of organization, unity, coherence and theme development.
- Create original works of literature that employ characterization, dialogue and figurative language.
- Use outside sources to synthesize ideas from multiple perspectives.
- Draw informed conclusions from writings and observations.
- Argue reasoned interpretations.
- Critique one's own writing and the writing of others.

Semester 1:

Unit 1

- Write an original fiction story that includes traditional elements of storytelling, including plot, conflict, characterization and dialogue.

Unit 2

- Identify the elements of poetry and use in an anthology.
- Write a collection of poems addressing a common topic.

Unit 3

- Write a creative nonfiction essay that includes anecdotal evidence.

Unit 4

- Create a script for live theatre or visual production including character description, dialogue, and stage instruction.