UCF Degree Programs

Writing and Rhetoric (B.A.)
College of Arts and Humanities
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The Bachelor of Arts degree in Writing and Rhetoric provides students with in-depth training in the interrelated fields of writing, rhetoric, and literacy studies, preparing them for a range of writing-focused jobs that involve the analysis, creation, editing, adaptation, and/or coordination of written, digital, and multimedia texts.

Admission Requirements
- Students transferring with an AA or AS degree or who have completed their general education courses in composition elsewhere are strongly recommended to enroll in ENC 3314 (Writing & Rhetoric Foundations) as an advanced core requirement course in their first semester at UCF.

Degree Requirements
- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Students must earn at least a “C+” (2.25) in each required course.
- Students should consult with a departmental advisor.
- Departmental Residency Requirement consists of at least 18 semester hours of regularly scheduled 3000-4000 level courses taken from the UCF Writing and Rhetoric Department.
- Courses designated in 1 (General Education Program) and 2 (Common Program Prerequisites) are usually completed in the first 60 hours.
- Students must earn a minimum 2.5 GPA in coursework used to satisfy the major.

1. UCF General Education Program (GEP) (36 hrs)

A: Communication Foundations (9 hrs)
- Required ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
- Required ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs
- Prefer SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication 3 hrs

B: Cultural & Historical Foundations (9 hrs)
- Prefer PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy 3 hrs
- Select one course from B.1 list 3 hrs
- Select one course from B.2 list 3 hrs

C: Mathematical Foundations (6 hrs)
- Prefer AMH 2020 U.S. History: 1877-Present 3 hrs

D: Social Foundations (6 hrs)
- Prefer AMH 2020 U.S. History: 1877-Present 3 hrs

E: Science Foundations (6 hrs)
- Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)
  ENC 1101 Composition I GEP
  ENC 1102 Composition II GEP

2. Common Program Prerequisites (CPP)

ENC 3331 Rhetoric and Civic Engagement 3 hrs
ENC 3502 Researching Writing and Literacy 3 hrs
ENG 3836 Professional Lives and Literacy Practices 3 hrs

3. Core Requirements: Basic Level (9 hrs)
- Students should take ENC 3331 and ENC 3502 as early in the program as possible. Students should take ENG 3836 in sophomore or junior year and prior to their Writing Practicum experience.
- ENC 3331 Rhetoric and Civic Engagement 3 hrs
- ENC 3502 Researching Writing and Literacy 3 hrs
- ENG 3836 Professional Lives and Literacy Practices 3 hrs

4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level (6 hrs)

Extending Theories and Histories of Writing, Rhetoric, and Literacy
- Students must take at least 6 hours from this category. Students should work with a departmental academic advisor to select courses that support the students' intended career or path post-graduation.
  ENC 3314 Writing and Rhetoric Foundations 3 hrs
  ENC 3315 Argumentative Writing 3 hrs
  ENC 3330 Rhetorical Traditions 3 hrs
  ENC 3373 Cultural Rhetorics 3 hrs
  ENC 3417 Literary and Technology 3 hrs
  ENC 3503 Topics in Writing & Literacy Studies 3 hrs
  ENC 3521 Writing Across Difference 3 hrs
  ENC 4374 Gendered Rhetorics 3 hrs
  ENC 4434 Visual and Material Rhetorics 3 hrs
  ENC 4504 Contemporary Composition Theory 3 hrs

5. Restricted Electives (18 hrs)

Applications of Writing and Rhetoric (9 hrs)
- Students must take at least 9 hours of courses from the Civic and Cultural Writing and Rhetoric and Professional and Digital Writing clusters; these 9 hours can come from either or both clusters. Students should work with a departmental academic advisor to select courses that support the students' intended career or path post-graduation.
  ENC 3311 Essay as Cultural Commentary 3 hrs
  ENC 3372 Topics in Civic Rhetoric and Writing 3 hrs
  ENC 3375 Rhetoric in Popular Culture 3 hrs
  ENC 4353 Writing for Social Change 3 hrs
  ENC 4354 Writing with Communities and Nonprofits 3 hrs
  ENC 4378 Writing in Global and Transnational Contexts 3 hrs
  ENC 4523 Writing and Identity 3 hrs

Professional and Digital Writing (9 hrs)
- ENC 3250 Professional Writing 3 hrs
- ENC 3351 Writing for Publication 3 hrs
- ENC 3433 Multimedia Writing and Composition 3 hrs
- ENC 3453 Writing About Health and Medicine 3 hrs
- ENC 3454 Topics in Professional and Digital Writing 3 hrs
- ENC 3455 Writing about Science and Technology 3 hrs
- ENC 4212 Professional Editing 3 hrs
- ENC 4416 Writing in Digital Environments 3 hrs
- ENG 3833 Marketing Your Writing 3 hrs
- LIN 3673 Rhetorical Grammar 3 hrs

Writing Practicums (3 hrs)
- Choose one of the following three courses.
  ENC 3473 Writing in Disciplinary Cultures 3 hrs
  ENC 4275 Theory and Practice of Tutoring Writing 3 hrs
  ENC 4944 Writing Internship 3 hrs

Advised Electives (6 hrs)
- Choose from any DWR 3000 or 4000 level courses not otherwise used to satisfy the major requirements, and/or choose from among any approved upper-level, writing-intensive courses in another department.

6. Capstone Requirements (3 hrs)

ENC 4379 Writing and Rhetoric Capstone 3 hrs
ENC 4950 Writing ePortfolio 0 hrs

7. Foreign Language Requirements

Admissions
- Proficiency equivalent to one year of college instruction in a foreign language taught by the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures or Judaic Studies. Standardized examinations for foreign languages may be used to meet the requirement. Majors who are completing graduate school should complete two years of a foreign language.
8. Electives  
- Select primarily from upper-level courses after meeting with a departmental advisor. Courses may be outside of the department.

9. Additional Requirements  
- None

10. Required Minors  
- Students must complete a minor, certificate, or approved program of study (at least 18 hours minimum). A minor and/or certificate from the Department of Writing and Rhetoric cannot be used to satisfy this requirement.
- Can be a UCF minor or an interdisciplinary set of courses tailored to the student's professional goals and approved by a program advisor.
- No more than 8 hours can overlap with courses used to satisfy the major.

11. Departmental Exit Requirements  
- Students must complete an electronic writing portfolio (e-portfolio) that meets program requirements. This e-portfolio will be developed throughout the course of the students' work in the major. Students must also enroll in ENC 4950 (Writing ePortfolio) during their final semester; their e-portfolio will be approved in this course for program-level graduation requirements.
- Computer competency met by completion of major.
- Maintain and achieve a minimum GPA of 2.5 in all courses used towards the major.

12. University Minimum Exit Requirements  
- A 2.0 UCF GPA
- 60 semester hours earned after CLEP awarded
- 48 semester hours of upper division credit completed
- 30 of the last 39 hours of course work must be completed in residency at UCF.
- A maximum of 45 hours of extension, correspondence, CLEP, Credit by Exam, and Armed Forces credits permitted.
- Complete the General Education Program, the Gordon Rule, and nine hours of Summer credit.

Total Semester Hours Required

- 120

Honors in Major  
- Application and admission through the Writing and Rhetoric Degree Programs Office and the Burnett Honors College.
- Fulfill University requirements for Honors in the Major.
- Successful completion and oral defense of Honors thesis.

Related Programs

- None

Certificates

- None

Related Minors

- Legal Studies
- Education
- Digital Media
- History
- Political Science
- Interpersonal/Organizational Communication
- Journalism Studies
- Magazine Journalism
- Marketing
- Mass Communication
- Public Administration
- Nonprofit Management/National Certification in Nonprofit Management
- Information Technology
- Entrepreneurship
- International and Global Studies
- English - Creative Writing
- English - Linguistics
- English - Literature
- English - Technical Communication

Advising Notes

- None

Transfer Notes

- Transfer courses in which students earned lower than a "C" (2.0) will not be accepted.
- Lower-level courses taken at community or state colleges do not substitute for upper-level courses.
- Courses transferred from private and out-of-state schools must be evaluated for equivalency credit. Student must provide all supporting information.

Acceptable Substitutes for Transfer Courses

- None

Plan of Study

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Program Academic Learning Compacts

- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at: [http://www.oemas.ucf.edu/alc/academic_learning_compacts.htm](http://www.oemas.ucf.edu/alc/academic_learning_compacts.htm)