# UCF Degree Programs

## Writing and Rhetoric (B.A.)

**College of Arts and Humanities**  
**Department of Writing and Rhetoric**  
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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, rhetorical, 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
- None

### Degree Requirements
- Students who change degree programs and select this major must adopt the most current catalog.
- Students must earn at least a "C" (2.0) in each course used to fulfill the requirements of the major.
- 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 and a minimum 2.0 GPA across all attempts of courses that could be used to satisfy the major.

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

| A: Communication Foundations |  
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| 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 |  
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Prefer PHI 1010 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 |  
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| Prefer AMH 2020 U.S. History, 1877-Present | 3 hrs |

| D: Social Foundations |  
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| Prefer AMH 2020 U.S. History, 1877-Present | 3 hrs |

| E: Science Foundations |  
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| 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 |
| ENC 3836 Professional Lives and Literacy Practices | 3 hrs |

#### 3. Core Requirements: Basic Level  
**9 hrs**

- Students must take these courses as early as possible.

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

#### 4. Core Requirements: Advanced Level  
**6 hrs**

- Students must take at least 6 hours from this category.

| ENC 3373 Cultural Rhetorics | 3 hrs |
| ENC 4374 Gendered Rhetorics | 3 hrs |
| ENC 4434 Visual and Material Rhetorics | 3 hrs |
| ENC 3417 Literacy and Technology | 3 hrs |
| ENC 3521 Writing Across Difference | 3 hrs |
| ENC 3315 Argumentative Writing | 3 hrs |
| ENC 3503 Topics in Writing & Literacy Studies | 3 hrs |

#### 5. Restricted Electives  
**18 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.

| ENC 3111 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 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 |
| ENC 3633 Marketing Your Writing | 3 hrs |

| ENC 4379 Writing and Rhetoric Capstone | 3 hrs |

### 7. Foreign Language Requirements

- Met by graduation requirement.

### 8. Electives

- Choose any approved upper-level, writing-intensive courses in another department.

### 9. Additional Requirements

- None

| 10. Required Minors |  
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| Students must complete a minor, certificate, or approved program of study (at least 18 hours). A minor and/or certificate from the Department of Writing and Rhetoric cannot be used to satisfy this requirement. |

- Can be Minor, Certificate, or Approved Area of Study  
- 18 hours minimum.  
- No more than 6 hours can overlap with courses used to satisfy the major.  
- Can be a UCF minor or an interdisciplinary set of courses tailored to the student's professional goals and approved by a program advisor.

### 11. Departmental Exit Requirements

- Students must complete an electronic writing portfolio that meets program requirements. This e-portfolio will be completed as part of ENC 4379 (Writing and Rhetoric Capstone), and must be approved by the student's ENC 4379 instructor and the program director or designee.  
- Computer competency met by completion of 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
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- Health Communication

Certificates
- Health Communication

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

Freshman Year - Fall
- ENC 1101 Composition I 3 hrs
- POS 2041 American National Government 3 hrs
- GEP 3 hrs
- GEP 3 hrs

Freshman Year - Spring
- ENC 1102 Composition II 3 hrs
- AMH 2020 U.S. History: 1877-Present 3 hrs
- SPC 1608 Fundamentals of Oral Communication 3 hrs
- GEP 3 hrs
- GEP 3 hrs

 Sophomore Year - Fall
- PHI 2010 Introduction to Philosophy 3 hrs
- Core Course 3 hrs
- Foreign Language Course 4 hrs
- Course in Minor/Certificate/Program of Study 3 hrs

 Sophomore Year - Spring
- Core Course 3 hrs
- Core Course 3 hrs
- Foreign Language Course 4 hrs
- Course in Minor/Certificate/Program of Study 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs

Junior Year - Fall
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- Course in Minor/Certificate/Program of Study 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs

Junior Year - Spring
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- Restricted Elective 3 hrs
- Course in Minor/Certificate/Program of Study 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs

Senior Year - Fall
- ENC 4944 Writing Internship 3 hrs
- Advised Elective 3 hrs
- Course in Minor/Certificate/Program of Study 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs

Senior Year - Spring
- ENC 4379 Writing and Rhetoric Capstone 3 hrs
- Advised Elective 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs
- Elective 3 hrs

Program Academic Learning Compacts
- Program Academic Learning Compacts (student learning outcomes) for undergraduate programs are located at: http://www.oeas.ucf.edu/academiclearningcompacts.html