

**ONLINE CERTIFICATE IN WRITING**

Offered by the Magid Center for Undergraduate Writing and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Certificate in Writing can be completed entirely ONLINE. The program provides an opportunity for our distance students to take advantage of the University of Iowa’s impressive culture of writing.

The ONLINE Certificate in Writing requires a student to successfully complete a minimum of 22 s.h. and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in all course work.

**Required Introductory Course:**

WRIT:1500 Writing Commons: A Community of Writers 3 s.h.

**Three of the following:**

- WRIT:1003 English Grammar 3 s.h.
- WRIT:3742/CLSA:3742 Word Power: Building English Vocabulary 3 s.h.
- WRIT:4745/CW:4745 The Sentence: Strategies for Writing 3 s.h.
- WRIT:4760/CW:4760 The Art of Revision: Rewriting Prose for Clarity and Impact 3 s.h.

**Focused Electives (9 s.h.) must include courses from at least two of the categories below:**

- Writing for the Professions:*
- BUS:3000 Business Communication and Protocol 3 s.h.
  - COMM:1816 Business and Professional Communication 3 s.h.
  - EALL:4130 Introduction to Grant Writing 3 s.h.
  - WRIT:3005 Professional and Creative Business Communication 3 s.h.

- Writing and the Literary Arts:*
- CNW:1620 Introduction to Creative Nonfiction 3 s.h.
  - CW:2100 Creative Writing 3 s.h.
  - CW:2870 Fiction Writing 3 s.h.
  - CW:2875 Poetry Writing 3 s.h.
  - CW:3870 Advanced Fiction Writing 3 s.h.
  - CW:3875 Advanced Poetry Writing 3 s.h.
  - CW:4897 Novel Writing 3 s.h.
  - THTR:2301 Playwriting I 3 s.h.

- Writing and the Media:*
- CINE:1200 Screenwriting Fundamentals 3 s.h.

**Required Capstone must include at least 1 s.h. from one of the options below:**

WRIT:3900 Writing: Undergraduate Internship  
WRIT:4000 Independent Capstone Project  
WRIT:4001 Guided Capstone Project

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## **HOW TO DECLARE THE CERTIFICATE**

Students may add a certificate program to their plan of study at any time. Once added, a separate degree audit will be produced. There is no penalty to remove a certificate from a plan of study and one may be removed at any time.

Current BAS/BLS University of Iowa students may add the certificate to their plan of study by contacting their assigned BAS/BLS advisor.