

Creative Writing A.A. Advisement Tip Sheet 2010-2011

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PURPOSE OF PROGRAM

This degree program is intended for transfer. The creative writing program prepares students for a career in the arts and entertainment industry by providing coursework that encourages writing proficiency, creative expression, literary scholarship, and critical thinking.

A key to the program is participation in workshops, conferencing with faculty mentors, and interaction with visiting writers, as well as collaboration with fellow students both within and outside the program in creative writing endeavors.

Students can select from two concentrations: Prose Poetry, and Drama, or Screenwriting.

PRIORITY COURSES

Students who begin the program needing developmental coursework in ENGL and/or RDNG will need to focus on completing these requirements in the first semester. Many ENGL courses in the program require completion of ENGL102 as a pre-requisite.

Creative writing majors are allowed to take ENGL102 concurrently with ENGL101 in order to allow students who begin the program in college-level English to complete ENGL102 in the second semester of study.

COURSE SEQUENCING DETAILS

Students should pay attention to course sequencing details – many ENGL courses are offered only in the Fall or only in the Spring, and for many courses only a single section is available. It is helpful if students chart out their planned course of study using their audit sheet as a guide.

GUIDELINES FOR CHOOSING COURSES

Encourage students to seek out their advisor during the first two weeks of the semester so they can discuss their educational goals.

If ENGL100 is not required, the student will have an additional 3 credits of liberal arts electives.

As of Fall 2010 there are no FITN or HLTH credits required; students can possibly graduate with 62 credits.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

This major is intended for transfer.

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TRANSFER INFORMATION

As part of their program requirements, students will develop portfolios for submission to four-year writing programs. In recent years, students have transferred to a variety of institutions:

- Binghamton University
- Cornell University
- Ithaca College
- SUNY Cortland
- SUNY Oswego
- SUNY Purchase
- Syracuse University
- University of Southern California

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How can I learn more about transferring?

A. Students should consult Heather Stevens or Meg Garvey in Room 216 - the Counseling, Career and Transfer Services Office.