

PROPOSAL TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY TO ESTABLISH OR MODIFY AN UNDERGRADUATE MINOR

Title of the proposed minor: Creative Writing (LAS)

Sponsoring unit(s): English Department, LAS. Jodee Stanley, Director of Creative Writing, Department of English. phone: 217-244-4135. email: jastan@illinois.edu.

Brief description of the program of study: The Creative Writing Minor offers the core of the CW Major and a flexibility that allows self-direction through Literature, Film, or other writing-related courses.

Justification: Many majors on campus, including those from colleges other than LAS, would benefit from the availability of a minor in Creative Writing, a strong but flexible program that develops students' analytical and creative skills and prepares them for work in any number of fields.

Budgetary and Staff Implications:

- a. Additional staff and dollars needed: None.
- b. Internal reallocations (e.g. change in class size, teaching loads, student-faculty ratio, etc.): None.
- c. Effect on course enrollment in other departments and explanations of discussions with representatives of those departments: No effect.
- d. Impact on library, computer use, laboratory use, equipment, etc.: None.

Requirements: 18 hours, six of which must come from 300- or 400-level (advanced) hours. Students must complete CW 100 and one of two nine-hour sequences: 104/204/404 or 106/206/406. The other six hours would be electives approved by the English Department.

Prerequisites for the minor: No prerequisites.

Expected enrollment in the minor: 50-75.

Admission to the minor: Students are admitted into the CW Minor by declaring it. There is no selection or admissions process.

Minor advisor: CW Minors will be advised, as all of our students are, in our Undergraduate Advising Office, by one of our two full-time advisors.

Certification of successful completion: As with all majors and minors in LAS, the CW Minor would be monitored by the student's advisor and records officer.

CLEARANCES:

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English Department

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College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Chair, Senate Educational Policy Committee:

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2016

Statement for the Academic Catalog:

The Creative Writing minor, administered by the Department of English's Creative Writing Program, is designed to augment majors from all over campus with a program of small workshops (poetry or fiction) and a variety of other writing, literature, and film courses. The result should be the development of a range of analytical and creative skills that will enrich the undergraduate experience and help prepare students for work in any number of fields.

Hours	Requirements
3	CW 100- Intro to Creative Writing
9	Creative Writing Coursework Students complete 9 hours of creative writing coursework, including at least one of the following 3-course (9-hour) sequences: CW 106: Intro to Poetry Writing CW 206: Intermediate Poetry Writing CW 406: Advanced Poetry Writing OR CW 104: Intro to Narrative Writing CW 204: Intermediate Narrative Writing CW 404: Advanced Narrative Writing
6	Approved Electives Students complete 6 hours of coursework in any of the following areas (a minimum of 3 hours must be at the advanced 300 /400 level): Any ENGL or CW course CMN 310 (The Rhetorical Tradition) CMN 423 (Rhetorical Criticism) JOUR 475 (Magazine Writing) THEA 211 (Intro to Playwriting) LIS 409 (Storytelling)
18	Total Hours



Senate Educational Policy Committee Proposal Check Sheet

PROPOSAL TITLE (Same as on proposal): Establish an Undergraduate Minor in Creative Writing

PROPOSAL TYPE (select all that apply below):

A. Proposal for a **NEW** or **REVISED** degree program. Please consult the Programs of Study Catalog for official titles of existing degree programs.

1. Degree program level:

Graduate Professional Undergraduate

2. Proposal for a new **degree** (e.g. B.S., M.A. or Ph.D.):

Degree name, "e.g., *Bachelor of Arts or Master of Science*": _____

3. Proposal for a new or revised **major, concentration, or minor**:

New or Revised **Major** in (name of existing or proposed major): _____

New or Revised **Concentration** in (name of existing or proposed concentration): _____

New or Revised **Minor** in (name of existing or proposed minor): Creative Writing

4. Proposal to rename an existing major, concentration, or minor:

Major Concentration Minor

Current name: _____

Proposed new name: _____

5. Proposal to terminate an existing degree, major, concentration, or minor:

Degree Major Concentration Minor

Name of existing degree, major, or concentration: _____

6. Proposal involving a multi-institutional degree:

New Revision Termination

Name of existing Illinois (UIUC) degree: _____

Name of non-Illinois partnering institution: _____

Location of non-Illinois partnering institution:

State of Illinois US State: _____ Foreign country: _____

- B. Proposal to create a new academic unit (college, school, department, program or other academic unit):

Name of proposed new unit: _____

- C. Proposal to rename an existing academic unit (college, school, department, or other academic unit):

Current name of unit: _____

Proposed new name of unit: _____

- D. Proposal to reorganize existing units (colleges, schools, departments, or program):

1. Proposal to change the status of an existing and approved unit (e.g. change from a program to department)

Name of current unit including status: _____

2. Proposal to transfer an existing unit:

Current unit's name and home: _____

Proposed new home for the unit: _____

3. Proposal to merge two or more existing units (e.g., merge department A with department B):

Name and college of unit one to be merged: _____

Name and college of unit two to be merged: _____

Proposed name and college of new (merged) unit: _____

4. Proposal to terminate an existing unit:

Current unit's name and status: _____

- E. **Other educational policy proposals** (e.g., academic calendar, grading policies, etc.)

Nature of the proposal: _____

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January 28, 2016

Bettina Francis, Chair
Senate Committee on Educational Policy
Office of the Senate
228 English Building, MC-461

Dear Professor Francis:

Enclosed is a copy of a proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to establish an undergraduate minor in Creative Writing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn A. Martensen".

Kathryn A. Martensen
Assistant Provost

Enclosures

c: A. Elli
K. Carney
M. Rothberg
J. Stanley

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January 28, 2016

Kathryn Martensen
Associate Provost
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207 Swanlund Administration Building
MC-304

Dear Kathy:

The Committee on Courses and Curricula on behalf of the Faculty of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has voted to approve the following proposal:

Establish an Undergraduate Minor in Creative Writing

Please address all correspondence concerning this proposal to me. This proposal is now ready for review by the Senate Educational Policy Committee for proposed implementation in Fall 2016.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen M. Carney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Karen M. Carney
Associate Dean

enclosure

C: Michael Rothberg
Jodee Stanley