



Bachelor of Writing (984AA.2)

Please note these are the 2018 details for this course

Domestic students

Selection rank 58.1

Note:

The selection rank is the minimum ATAR plus adjustment factors required for admission to the program in the previous year. This is an indicative guide only as ranks change each year depending on demand.

English language requirements

An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

[View IELTS equivalences](#)

Duration 3.0 years

UAC code 363024

Faculty Faculty of Arts and Design

Discipline School of Arts and Communications

Location UC Canberra - Bruce Campus

International students

Academic entry requirements

To study at UC, you'll need to meet our academic entry requirements and any admission requirements specific to your course. Please read your course admission requirements below. To find out whether you meet UC's academic entry requirements, visit our academic entry requirements page.

[View UC's academic entry requirements](#)

English language requirements

An IELTS Academic score of 6.0 overall, with no band score below 6.0 (or equivalent).

[View IELTS equivalences](#)

CRICOS code 065644D

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About this course

Write the words that change the world

At UC the focus of our Bachelor of Writing is on the process of writing as a creative practice. We have developed a sophisticated and vibrant program of practical and theoretical study, which includes guest lectures and seminars by world-class writers.

We are proud that our staff are active, published writers who bring up-to-date and real-world knowledge of writing, editing and publishing.

Study a Bachelor of Writing at UC and you will:

- experiment with different forms of professional and creative writing for a variety of audiences
- develop fluency and skills across a number of genres, including creative narrative, non-fiction, prose, poetry, writing for young people and writing for the screen
- develop theoretical knowledge and practice in a cumulative and integrated fashion
- learn to produce high-level creative and professional works that you are able to critique and contextualise
- develop a sophisticated understanding of the nuances of communication in contemporary society
- work individually and collaboratively on projects to develop skills and competencies with a keen eye toward professional employment.

Work-integrated learning

You will have the opportunity to gain invaluable experience in hands-on editing and publishing – as either a creative writer or a member of the editorial committee – for FIRST, UC's annual anthology of creative works. Opportunities are also available to take part in our Study Abroad program and apply to spend a semester with one of our international exchange partners such as Oxford University.

Career opportunities

- author, publisher and editor
- copywriter
- journalist
- playwright, screen and script writer
- public relations consultant
- media analyst
- technical writer
- web content manager

Course specific information

Standard entry to this course is by ATAR score however you can also apply via portfolio entry: canberra.edu.au/arts-design/portfolio-entry.

Professional accreditation

None.

Admission requirements

Normal UC admission requirements to an undergraduate course.

Additional admission requirements

None.

Assumed knowledge

None.

Periods course is open for new admissions

This course is not open for new admissions.

Credit arrangements

There are currently no formal credit transfer arrangements for entry to this course. Any previous study or work experience will only be considered as part of the application process in accordance with current [course rules](#) and [university policy](#). Credit is not permitted towards completion of a graduate certificate.

Course requirements

Bachelor of Writing (984AA) | 72 credit points

Restricted Choice - 3 credit points as follows

[Expand All](#) | [Collapse All](#)

Arts Foundation Units - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

Faculty of Arts and Design Restricted Choice Unit (ARTSFOUND) | credit points

Pre Curriculum Renewal 2019 Units - May select from

[Introduction to Journalism \(5565\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Editing Sound and Image \(8120\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Introduction to Media Production \(8121\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Writing Short Narratives \(8147\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Globalisation and Resistance \(8169\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Introduction to Creative Writing \(8304\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Cultures and Diversity \(8671\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[People, Place and the Past \(8948\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Digital Media Literacy \(9022\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Introduction to Communication \(9023\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Introduction to Political Communication \(9024\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Media, Technology and Society \(9027\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Design History \(9483\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Academic English \(9487\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

Units Available from 2019 - May select from

[Pixels and Polygons \(11013\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Heritage Conservation \(11015\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[BE: History and Culture \(11016\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[The Art and Power of Communication \(11079\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Digital Media Fundamentals \(11080\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Journalism Now and Next \(11084\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Introduction to Creative Writing \(11113\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Writing, Rewriting \(11114\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Cultures and Diversity \(11129\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Fundamentals for Building Construction Management \(11483\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

Note:

- 1. If one of the units in this list is already a required unit within the typical course structure, it cannot be counted as an Arts Foundation Unit.
- 2. This list includes units from both Semesters 1 and 2 so you will need to check unit availability.
- 3. Pre Curriculum Renewal 2019 Units are not offered at UC BRUCE from Semester 1, 2019. Students who commenced prior to 2019 can have these units counted towards course completion.
- 4. Units 9494 AND 9498 are no longer apart of this course from Semester 2, 2016. Students who commenced prior to 2017 can have these units counted towards course completion.

- Arts Foundation Units: Students must select a unit FROM OUTSIDE THE RECOMMENDED COURSE STRUCTURE.

Open Electives - 30 credit points as follows

- Study Abroad: Elective credit can be completed on an International Study Abroad Program.

- Unit Levels: In selecting electives students should note that no more than 30 credit points at Level 1 is permitted for the entire course.

Note:

- Must pass 30 credit points from anywhere in the University, as a major, a minor and/or individual units.

Required - 39 credit points as follows

Major in Literary Studies (MJ0084) | 18 credit points

Restricted Choice - Must pass 18 credit points from the following

[Literary Studies: Literature for 0-18 \(8141\) | 3 credit points – Level 2](#)

[Literary Studies: Poetry/Criticism \(8143\) | 3 credit points – Level 3](#)

[Literary Studies: The Novel \(8144\) | 3 credit points – Level 2](#)

[Literary Studies: True Stories \(8623\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Literary Studies: Creative Reading \(8904\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

[Literary Studies: Literature and Government \(9169\) | 3 credit points – Level 3](#)

[Literary Studies: Reading the City \(9174\) | 3 credit points – Level 3](#)

[Literary Studies: Popular Fiction \(9990\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

Note:

- To complete this Major students must pass at least 6 credit points at Level 3.

Major in Creative Writing (MJ0030) | 18 credit points

Required - Must pass 6 credit points as follows

[Creative Project \(8298\) | 3 credit points – Level 3](#)

[Introduction to Creative Writing \(8304\) | 3 credit points – Level 1](#)

Restricted Choice - 12 credit points as follows

Part A - Must pass 3 credit points from the following

[Cultural Research \(8902\) | 3 credit points – Level 2](#)

Research and Practice (9989) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Part B - Must pass 9 credit points from the following

Writing for Young People (7479) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Writing Short Narratives (8147) | 3 credit points – Level 1

Screenwriting (8905) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Poetry and the Imagination (9308) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Writing Narrative Non-Fiction (9921) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Revision / Editing (9991) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Screenwriting for Television (9992) | 3 credit points – Level 3

Aliens, Dragons, Monsters, Me: Writing Genre (9993) | 3 credit points – Level 2

Note:

- To complete this Major, students must pass at least 6 credit points at Level 3.

Required Units - Must pass 3 credit points as follows

Professional Orientation (Arts) (10333) | 3 credit points – Level 1

- Students who completed unit 9131, 9132, 9437 or 9799 prior to 2018 may count that unit in lieu of 10333 Professional Orientation (Arts)

In addition to course requirements, in order to successfully complete your course you may need to meet the inherent requirements. Please refer to the [inherent requirements statement](#) applicable to your course

Typical study pattern

UC - Canberra, Bruce

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing (2017)

Year 1

Semester 1

Introduction to Creative Writing (8304)

9799 Foundations of Professional Planning OR Restricted Choice Arts Foundation Unit

Open Elective Unit

Offered Major Unit

Semester 2

Two Offered Major Units

9799 Foundations of Professional Planning OR Restricted Choice Arts Foundation Unit

Open Elective Unit

Year 2

Semester 1

Two Offered Major Units

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

Research and Practice (9989)

Two Open Elective Units

Offered Major Unit

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Open Elective Units

Two Offered Major Units

Semester 2

[Creative Project \(8298\)](#)

Offered Major Unit

Two Open Elective Units

Standard Full Time, Semester 1 Commencing (2018)

Year 1

Semester 1

10333 Professional Orientation (Arts) OR Restricted Choice
Arts Foundation Unit

Open Elective Unit

Offered Major Unit

[Introduction to Creative Writing \(8304\)](#)

Semester 2

10333 Professional Orientation (Arts) OR Restricted Choice
Arts Foundation Unit

Open Elective Unit

Two Offered Major Units

Year 2

Semester 1

Two Open Elective Units

Two Offered Major Units

Semester 2

Offered Major Unit

Two Open Elective Units

[Research and Practice \(9989\)](#)

Year 3

Semester 1

Two Offered Major Units

Two Open Elective Units

Semester 2

[Creative Project \(8298\)](#)

Offered Major Unit

Two Open Elective Units

Course information

Course duration

Standard six semesters full-time or equivalent. Maximum 20 semesters.

Learning outcomes

Learning outcomes	Related graduate attributes
The ability to present knowledge, ideas and opinions effectively and communicate within and across professional and cultural boundaries.	1. UC graduates are professional.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - communicate effectively. <p>2. UC graduates are global citizens.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - communicate effectively in diverse cultural and social settings.
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The ability to gather information, and to analyse and evaluate information and situations in a systematic, creative and insightful way.

1. UC graduates are professional.
 - use creativity, critical thinking, analysis and research skills to solve theoretical and real-world problems;
 - be self-aware.
2. UC graduates are global citizens.
 - understand issues in their profession from the perspective of other cultures.
3. UC graduates are lifelong learners.
 - evaluate and adopt new technology.

<p>The ability to apply problem-solving processes in novel situations; to identify and analyse problems then formulate and implement solutions.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. UC graduates are professional. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - employ up-to-date and relevant knowledge and skills. 2. UC graduates are global citizens. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - make creative use of technology in their learning and professional lives. 3. UC graduates are lifelong learners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - reflect on their own practice, updating and adapting their knowledge and skills for continual professional and academic development.
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The ability to plan their own work, be self-directed, and use interpersonal skills and attitudes to work collaboratively.

1. UC graduates are professional.
 - work collaboratively as part of a team, negotiate, and resolve conflict;
 - display initiative and drive, and use their organisation skills to plan and manage their workload.

<p>The capacity and intention to use professional knowledge and skills ethically and responsibly, for the benefit of others and the environment.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. UC graduates are professional.
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- take pride in their professional and personal integrity.
- 2. UC graduates are global citizens.
- think globally about issues in their profession;
- adopt an informed and balanced approach across professional and international boundaries;
- behave ethically and sustainably in their professional and personal lives.

Students will develop critical thinking, curiosity and reflective practice. They will use foresight, initiative and leadership, and develop openness to alternative perspectives.

- 3. UC graduates are lifelong learners
- adapt to complexity, ambiguity and change by being flexible and keen to engage with new ideas.

Majors

- [Major in Literary Studies \(MJ0084\)](#)
- [Major in Creative Writing \(MJ0030\)](#)

Awards

Award	Official abbreviation
Bachelor of Writing	B Wrtg

Honours

High performing students may be eligible for entry to the Bachelor of Arts (Honours) course.

Enquiries

Student category	Contact details
Prospective Domestic Students	Email study@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1800 UNI CAN (1800 864 226)
Prospective International Students	Email international@canberra.edu.au or Phone +61 2 6201 5342
Current and Commencing Students	Email FAD.Student@canberra.edu.au or Phone 1300 301 727

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UC acknowledges the Ngunnawal people, traditional custodians of the lands where Bruce campus is situated. We wish to acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of Canberra and the region. We also acknowledge all other First Nations Peoples on whose lands we gather.