The Creative Writing provides students options for in-depth study of the craft of creative writing. The minor consists of 12 credit hours; of the minimum four courses, two must be a combination of 2265, 2266, 2267 or 2268. At least 6 hours must be completed from the set of upper-division classes at the 3000-level and above. This progression of courses enhances critical reading skills and gives students the tools they need to create original fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction. All creative writing workshops are repeatable for credit. For further information or minor program approval, please schedule an appointment with the Advisor listed above.

Prerequisites for Creative Writing Courses

- English 2265 – English 1110 or equivalent
- English 2266 – English 1110 or equivalent
- English 2267 – English 1110 or equivalent
- English 2268 – English 1110 or equivalent
- English 3465 – A grade of at least "C-" in English 2265
- English 3466 – A grade of at least "C-" in English 2266
- English 3468 – A grade of at least "C-" in English 2268
- English 4565 – Permission of Instructor
- English 4566 – Permission of Instructor
- English 4568 – Permission of Instructor
- English 4591.01H – Honors standing and a grade of at least "C-" in one of the following: English 2265, 2266, 2267 or 2268; or Permission of Instructor
- English 5662.01 English 2265, 2266, 2267 or 2268 and Permission of Instructor
- English 5193 – Permission of Instructor

Introductory Courses

- English 2265 Writing of Fiction I
- English 2266 Writing of Poetry I
- English 2267 Introduction to Creative Writing
- English 2268 Writing of Creative Nonfiction I

Advanced Courses

- English 3465 Intermediate Creative Writing: Special Topics in Fiction
- English 3466 Intermediate Creative Writing: Special Topics in Poetry
- English 3468 Intermediate Creative Writing: Special Topics in Creative Nonfiction
- English 3662 Literary Publishing
- English 4565 Writing of Fiction II
- English 4566 Writing of Poetry II
- English 4568 Writing of Creative Nonfiction II

Note: No more than two introductory courses may be applied to the Creative Writing Minor. Students can choose 2267 and at least one genre-specific introductory course or introductory courses in two different genres (poetry, fiction, creative nonfiction). English 2267 provides a broad introduction to writing in all three genres and may help students choose their focus areas. English 2265, 2266, and 2268 are the foundational courses in each genre and serve as prerequisites for more advanced courses in those genres.

Creative Writing Minor Guidelines

Required for graduation: No

Credit hours required: A minimum of 12 credit hours. 1000 level courses shall not be counted toward the minimum. At least 6 credit hours must be 3000-level courses or above.

Transfer credit hours allowed: At least half of the credits counting toward the minor must be earned in regular OSU coursework.

Overlap with the GE: Permitted, no more than 6 credit hours.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s):

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required:

- Minimum C- for a course to be counted on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count on the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of course work graded satisfactory/unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits: No more than 3 credit hours.

Approval required by:

- The academic unit offering the minor, or
- A college/school counselor.

Filing the minor program form: The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor: Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by:

- The academic unit offering the minor, or
- A college/school counselor.