

A.A. Liberal Arts: English Specialization Pathway

ADVANCE Program Milestones

1. Students must take SDV 100 or SDV 101 in the first semester at NOVA.
2. Students must begin Developmental coursework in the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
3. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MTT or ENF courses (excluding summer).
4. In the first 30 credits, students must:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.
5. Students must complete at least six degree-applicable credits with a C or better each fall and spring semester.
6. Students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
7. Students must contact MasonCW@gmu.edu for BFA application after the completion of ENG 211 and prior to Mason matriculation.
8. Students must apply for NOVA graduation and complete their Associate's degree.

BFA Application Requirement: The Creative Writing BFA application requires the submission of a letter of recommendation from a NOVA creative writing faculty member, a writing sample, and an essay. Contact MasonCW@gmu.edu for specifics.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills OR SDV 101 Orientation to XXX	UNIV 100	Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	World Language #1	5-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 101 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
4	CST Elective	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
5	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103 CHEM 103 EVPP 110 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
6	ENG Course	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	Elective
7	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
8	World Language #2	5-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 102 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
9	Science Course #2	4	BIO 102 General Biology II OR CHM 102 Introductory Chemistry II OR ENV 122 General Environmental Science II OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 102 Introduction to Physics II	BIOL 104 CHEM 104 EVPP 111 GEOL 102 PHYS 104	Nat Science
10	HIS Course	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II OR HIS 112 History of World Civilization II	HIST 101 HIST 102 HIST 125	Western Civ
11	World Language #3	4-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 201 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective

12	ENG Literature	3	ENG 236 Introduction to the Short Story OR ENG 237 Introduction to Poetry OR ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR ENG 243 Survey of English Literature I OR ENG 244 Survey of English Literature II OR ENG 250 Children's Literature OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II OR ENG 253 Survey of African American Literature I OR ENG 256 Literature of Science Fiction OR ENG 257 Mythological Literature OR ENG 271 The Works of Shakespeare I	ENGH 202	Literature
13	MTH 245	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Elective
14	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	PHI 101 Introduction to Philosophy I OR PHI 111 Logic I OR PHI 220 Ethics OR REL 100 Introduction to the Study of Religion OR REL 231 Religions of the World I OR REL 232 Religions of the World II OR REL 233 Introduction to Islam	PHIL 100 PHIL 173 PHIL 151 RELI 100 RELI 212 RELI 211 RELI 272	CHSS Phil/Rel
15	Social/Behavioral Sciences #1	3	ECO 201 Principles of Macroeconomics OR ECO 202 Principles of Microeconomics OR PSY 200 Principles of Psychology OR PSY 216 Social Psychology OR PSY 230 Developmental Psychology OR SOC 200 Principles of Sociology OR SOC 211 Principles of Anthropology I	ECON 104 ECON 103 PSYC 100 PSYC 230 PSYC 211 SOCI 101 ANTH 114	Soc/Behav
16	World Language #4	4-3	Any World Language/ASL course sequence 202 OR Any General Education Elective (<i>if placed out of World Language</i>)	GMU Equivalent	CHSS For. Lang OR Elective
17	Social/Behavioral Sciences #2	3	GEO 210 Introduction to Cultural Geography OR HIS 121 United States History I OR HIS 122 United States History II OR PLS 135 American National Politics OR PLS 211 United States Government I	GGS 103 HIST 121 HIST 122 GOVT 103 GOVT 103	CHSS Soc/Behav
18	ENG 200-Level Course	3	ENG 211 Creative Writing I	ENGH L396	Arts
19	ENG 200-Level Course	3	ENG 212 Creative Writing II OR ENG 215 Creative Writing: Fiction I OR ENG 217 Creative Writing: Poetry I	ENGH XXX	Major
20	General Elective (This elective must be taken at Mason if total language credits are 15 or more - Please see your Success Coach)	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography OR HIS 111 History of World Civilization I OR PLS 140 Comparative Politics OR PLS 241 International Relations I OR PSY 219 Cross-Cultural Psychology	GGS 101 HIST L387 GOVT 133 GOVT 132 PSYC L379	Global

A. A. LIBERAL ARTS DEGREE
TOTAL **60-63**

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B.F.A. Creative Writing

Concentrations: Fiction; Nonfiction; Poetry

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Gen Ed: Information Technology	3	Approved Information Technology Course*	Info Tech
22	College Level Requirement for the BFA Degree: Non-Western	3	Approved Non-Western course**	Major
23	Core Courses	3	ENGH 301 The Fields of English	Major

24	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
25	Core Courses	3	ENGH 305 Dimensions of Writing and Literature	Major
26	Core Courses	3	ENGH 377 Digital Creative Writing	Major
27	Literature before 1800	3	Approve Literature before 1800 course**	Major
28	Literature before 1915	3	Approved Literature before 1915 course**	Major
29	Minority, Folkloric, or Popular Literary and Cultural Traditions	3	Approved Minority, Folkloric, or Popular Literary and Cultural Traditions Course**	Major
30	Workshop Courses***	3	ENGH 397 Poetry Writing OR ENGH 398 Fiction Writing OR ENGH 399 Creative Nonfiction Writing	Major
31	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved concentration course**	Major
32	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved concentration course**	Major
33	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved concentration course**	Major
34	General Electives	3	General Electives (Upper-level See: Advisor)	Major
35	Workshop Courses***	3	ENGH 397 Poetry Writing OR ENGH 398 Fiction Writing OR ENGH 399 Creative Nonfiction Writing	Major
36	Concentrations in the Major	3	Approved concentration course**	Major
37	Gen Ed: Synthesis	3	ENGH 495 Capstone and Thesis	Synthesis
38	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major
39	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major
40	General Electives	0-3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major

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DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.

***For approved Mason Core courses, please visit - <https://catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/>**

****For approved Non-Western, Concentration, Literature before 1800, Literature before 1915, and Minority, Folkloric, or Popular Literary and Culture Traditions courses, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/humanities-social-sciences/english/creative-writing-bfa/#requirements>**

*****Workshops are in the two areas outside of chosen concentration. The remaining workshop is included as part of the concentration requirements.**

General Note: Students will complete 21 credits of BFA core requirements, 12 credits from one of 3 concentrations, and 12 credits in English department requirements. 300-level courses in English and linguistics teach the foundational principles for a field of study, include courses of broad scope, and provide an introduction to a genre, literary period, or methodology. 400-level courses in English and linguistics provide an in-depth approach to a field of study, a single genre, literary period, or methodology. They include special topics classes and English honors classes. Some 400-level courses require ENGH 305 Dimensions of Writing and Literature as a prerequisite.

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Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements.