

# CREATIVE WRITING

Majoring in Creative Writing at RWU leads to a *Bachelor of Fine Arts* degree. In this program, you will gain the skills to develop your craft and find a fulfilling career after graduation. You will engage in the formal and rigorous study of your craft through reading, revising, and working to improve your own creative work, as well as the work of others. You will focus on your specific areas of interest in studio courses, get in-depth feedback on your work, gain experience in editing and publishing, and connect and network with professional writers.

## STUDENT EXPERIENCE

With a focus on experiential learning at RWU, Creative Writing majors can:

- Produce, edit, and write for the *Mount Hope* literary magazine.
- Advocate for academic freedom with the Scholars at Risk Network, an international human rights organization.
- Intern in fields like communications and media relations, technical writing, copywriting, publishing, public affairs, and more.



- + Do you like writing stories, memoirs, plays or poems?
- + Are you a natural storyteller?
- + Would you like to learn how to develop your creative skills, and how to apply them in a variety of professional fields?

## CAREER OUTLOOK

What are RWU **Creative Writing** alumni doing now?

- Attending law school
- Editing literary magazines
- Fundraising for literary arts organizations
- Working in marketing
- Writing books and getting published
- Technical writing

## ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

“I developed really close relationships with the faculty members. They helped me grow into a stronger writer and professional. Without them, I wouldn’t have been able to land the position I’m in today.”

Courtney Dell’Agnese ‘19  
Digital marketing account manager  
at VUP Media

## Faculty

RWU Creative Writing faculty are practicing authors and poets. With their professional expertise, they help students connect to publishing opportunities, internships, and other career opportunities that require creative thinking and writing skills.

## Resources

The program is dedicated to your success as an undergraduate student and beyond. As a first-year student, you will be paired with a peer mentor to help you transition into the Creative Writing department. We also host a career event with an alumni panel each year so you can see what Creative Writing majors are doing after graduation. RWU is dedicated to helping you apply the skills you've learned to land a great job.

## CURRICULUM

### Structure

Creative Writing majors can design their own curriculum according to their specific interests. You will take at least one studio course in each of the following: fiction, nonfiction, screenwriting, and poetry. You can repeat any studio up to three times. The studios change each year, so students are always learning new skills, even within a particular genre. In your screenwriting course, you may focus on television writing one year and feature film writing the next.

### Special Areas of Study

Within each writing studio, you will have the opportunity to explore many exciting areas of Creative Writing, including:

- Writing for Television
- Young Adult Fiction
- Memoir and Personal Experience
- Film Adaptation



**OVER 80% OF  
RWU STUDENTS  
GRADUATE WITH  
MORE THAN JUST  
A SINGLE MAJOR**

RWU students  
have paired **Creative  
Writing** with:

- Graphic Design
- Theatre
- Communications
- Journalism
- Marketing
- Arts Management
- Photography
- Legal Studies