# (CORECTIVE VICES) WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR? CREATIVE WRITING

Creative Writing focuses on the development of original compositions in various literary forms, including fiction, poetry, and creative nonfiction. It involves studying the craft of writing, exploring literary techniques, and analyzing the works of established authors to enhance one's writing skills and creative expression.

# COMMON JOB TITLES \* additional education or certification required post graduation

### ENTRY & MID LEVEL POSITIONS

Author /Editor Blogger Librarian\* Content Writer Columnist/Journalist Communications Specialist Screenwriter Editorial Assistant Free Lance Writer Creative Director Teacher/Professor\* Social Media Coordinator Technical Writer/Grant Writer HR Specialist Copywriter Lyricist/Poet

## AREAS OF EMPLOYMENT: where do creative writing majors typically work?

<u>Advertising Agencies</u>: OBI Creative, Redstone Advertising, Creative Olsen <u>Media Companies</u>: NE Public Media, Flood Communications <u>Magazines/Newspapers</u>: Omaha World Herald, Lincoln Journal Star, <u>Technology Companies</u>: Hudl, Sojern, Flywheel <u>Healthcare</u>: Nebraska Medicine, Bryan Health, Blue Cross Blue Shield <u>Corporations</u>: Berkshire Hathaway, Union Pacific <u>Libraries</u>: Omaha Public Libraries, NE State Historical Society

<u>Schools & Universities</u>: UNO, UNL, Omaha Public Schools <u>Self-Employed</u> <u>Publishing Companies</u>: First Edition Printing, The Omaha Star, Backwaters Press <u>Entertainment Businesses</u>: KETV, Omaha Performing Arts, NET Nebraska <u>Nonprofit Organizations</u>: Heartland Family Service, Nebraska Appleseed <u>Cultural Institutions</u>: Joslyn Art Museum, NE Arts Council, Durham Museum <u>Literacy Centers & Agencies</u>: Literacy Center of the Midlands, Boys Town Press

# **IMPORTANT QUALITIES:**

### Transferable Skills Gained:

Critical Thinking Skills Verbal and Written Communication Skills Editing Attention to Detail Grammar Skills Cultural Awareness Problem Solving

#### **Concrete Skills Gained:**

Microsoft Office Google Suite EndNote WorldPress Adobe Creative Suite Canva

# HOW TO DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS :

Explore opportunities to publish your work in <u>UNO's Student Newspaper: The Gateway</u> Work or volunteer in the <u>UNO Writing Center</u> to help other students with their writing skills Get involved in <u>UNO's 13th Floor Magazine</u> to showcase your work, gain experience in publishing, and connect with other students

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### MAJOR + MINOR SPECIALIZATION: HOW CAN I SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING BEFORE I GRADUATE?

Creative Writing + Journalism & Media Communications minor = Journalist

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<u>Creative Writing + Arts Entrepreneurship minor = Creative Director</u>

<u>Creative Writing</u> + <u>Musical Theatre minor</u> = <u>Screenwriter</u>

# OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK:

<u>Writers & Authors</u> <u>Journalists</u> <u>Technical Writers</u> <u>Communication/PR Specialists</u> Creative/Art Directors

# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES:**

Check out daily job postings on **Handshake** related to accounting jobs, internships, and opportunities to boost your student experience

## **ADDITIONAL EDUCATION:**

A **Masters degree** may be beneficial or required after graduation depending on your desired career path. A Masters degree offers opportunities for advanced study, specialization, and development

More Information:

<u>UNO Masters of Fine Arts in Writing</u> <u>UNO English Graduate Programs</u>

## **OTHER RESOURCES :**

<u>UNO Writers Workshop</u> <u>Career Exploration in Career Services</u> U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics: <u>Occupational Outlook Handbook</u>

# NEED SOME EXTRA HELP?

Book an appointment with <u>Career Services</u> Book an appointment with your <u>Advisor</u>

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