

BA in English with concentration in Creative Writing

Below is a sample 4-year plan for students pursuing the BA in English - Creative Writing track. To view the list of courses approved to fulfill KU Core Goals, please visit the KU Core website (<http://kucore.ku.edu/courses/>).

Freshman

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
ENGL 101 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication/BA Writing I) ¹	3	ENGL 102 (Goal 2.1 Written Communication/BA Writing II)	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3
1st Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5	2nd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	5
First Year Seminar (Goal 1.1 Critical Thinking)	3	Goal 2.2 Communication	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	1	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	1
15		15	

Sophomore

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
3rd Semester Language (BA Second Language)	3	4th Semester Language, or 1st semester of Another Language (BA Second Language)	3
ENGL 200+ (Major Requirement, Goal 3 Arts & Humanities) ³	3	Goal 4.1 US Diversity	3
Goal 3 Social Science	3	ENGL 300 (Major Requirement)	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	Goal 1.2 Quantitative Reasoning	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3
15		15	

Junior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
Goal 4.2 Global Awareness	3	Goal 5 Social Responsibility & Ethics	3
ENGL 300+ from Rhetoric, Language, or Writing Area (Creative Writing, Major Requirement) ⁴	3	ENGL 300+ from Literative, Language, or Rhetoric before 1850 Area (Major Requirement)	3
ENGL 300+ Elective (Major Requirement)	3	ENGL 300+ Creative Writing Elective, Genre 2 (Major Requirement) ⁴	3

BA Quantitative Reasoning (QR) ²	3	Goal 3 Natural Science	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	BA Laboratory/Field Experience (LFE)	1
		Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3
15		16	

Senior

Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours
ENGL 300+ from Diverse Identities, Communities, & Texts Area (Major Requirement)	3	ENGL 300+ Elective (Major Requirement)	3
ENGL 500+ Creative Writing Elective (Major Requirement) ⁵	3	ENGL 500+ Elective (Goal 6 Integration & Creativity, Major Requirement) ⁶	3
LA&S 490 (Recommended, or elective)	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3
Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	3	Second Area of Study/ Elective/Degree/Junior-Senior Hours ⁷	1
		LA&S 492 (Job Search Strategies, or elective)	1
15		14	

Total Hours 120

- ¹ The BA requires completion of two courses of collegiate-level writing instruction. Students who test out of Composition will still need to complete ENGL 102 (or equivalent) and one additional Goal 2.1 course.
- ² Visit this website (<https://collegeadvising.ku.edu/ba-quantitative-reasoning/>) for a list of courses that fulfill the BA Quantitative Reasoning requirement.
- ³ ENGL 203, ENGL 205, ENGL 209, and ENGL 210 fulfill KU Core Goal 3 Arts & Humanities. It is strongly recommended that students complete an ENGL 200-level course before attempting a 300-level.
- ⁴ Creative writing students complete workshops in at least two genres. For the purposes of the Creative Writing Tracks, the four major genres are: Fiction; Poetry; Playwriting, Screenwriting, and/or Scriptwriting; and Creative Non-Fiction.
- ⁵ Two ENGL courses must be taken at the 500+ level per major requirements.
- ⁶ Choose at least one of the required ENGL 500+ level courses, as required by the major, from the list of approved ENGL courses for Goal 6 of the KU Core.
- ⁷ Hour requirements (incl. 45 jr/sr hrs) are typically met through KU core, degree, major, second area of study and/or elective hours. Students completing the BGS with a major must choose a secondary area of study. Individual degree mapping is done in partnership with your advisor.

Please note:

All students in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences are required to complete 120 total hours of which 45 hours must be at the Jr/Sr (300+) level.

The same course cannot be used to fulfill more than one KU Core Goal. However, overlap of a KU Core course with a major or degree-specific requirement is allowed. Overlapping is recommended to allow more opportunities to explore other majors and/or minors.