

2025-2026 Degree Map-Bachelor of Fine Arts in Creative Writing

This map is a term-by-term sample course schedule. The milestones listed to the right of each term are designed to keep you on course to graduate in four years. The Sample Schedule serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each term. See course descriptions and prerequisites at <https://catalog.atu.edu/>

#Prerequisite Courses: ENGL 0303 _____ MATH 0803 _____ MATH 0903 _____

Sample Schedule

| Semester 1 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
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| ENGL 1013-Comp I (ACTS=ENGL 1013) | 3 | # | Draft a résumé to upload to Handshake |
| Social Science | 3 | | Create a LinkedIn profile |
| Social Science | 3 | | |
| Mathematics | 3 | # | |
| Beginning Language I | 3 | | *See Foreign Language note |
| TECH 1001- Orientation to the University | 1 | | |
| Total hours | 16 | GPA | |

| Semester 2 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|--------------------------------------|------|-------|----------------------------|
| ENGL 1023- Comp II (ACTS= ENGL 1023) | 3 | # | |
| Beginning Language II | 3 | | |
| Science with Lab | 4 | | |
| General Elective | 3 | | *See Foreign Language note |
| General Elective | 3 | | Consider minor |
| Total hours | 16 | GPA | |

| Semester 3 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|---|------|-------|--|
| U.S. History/Government | 3 | | Consider Accelerated BFA in Creative Writing to MA in English. See Catalog BEFORE Junior Year. |
| General Elective | 3 | | |
| Science with Lab | 4 | | |
| ENGL 2043- Introduction to Creative Writing | 3 | | |
| ENGL 2063- Introduction to Literary Studies | 3 | | Attend a career fair and explore part-time or volunteer options |
| Total hours | 16 | GPA | |

| Semester 4 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|---|------|-------|--|
| Social Sciences/Fine Arts/Hum/Communication | 3 | | Meet with faculty about career paths to determine if graduate school is required |
| ENGL 3043- Literary Editing and Publishing | 3 | | |
| English Elective (2000-4000 level) | 3 | | **See English Electives note |
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| General Elective | 3 | | |
| Total hours | 15 | GPA | ENGL ADVISOR ASSIGNED |

The Arkansas Course Transfer System (ACTS) is designed to assist in planning the academic progress of students. This system contains information about the transferability of courses within Arkansas public colleges and universities. The Arkansas Course Transfer System can be accessed by searching keyword "ACTS" at <https://adhe.edu/>

*Foreign Language Note: Students may substitute 3 hours of general electives for a Foreign Language for each year of a foreign language completed in high school with a grade of "C >"

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| Fine Arts and Humanities ART 2123 Experiencing Art (ACTS=ARTA1003) MUS 2003 Survey of Music History (ACTS=MUSC1003) TH 2273 Introduction to Theatre (ACTS=DRAM 1003) ENGL/JOUR 2173 Introduction to Film ENGL 2003 Introduction to World Literature (ACTS=ENGL2113) ENGL 2013 Intro. to American Literature (ACTS=ENGL2653) PHIL 2003 Introduction to Philosophy (ACTS=PHIL1103) PHIL 2053 Introduction to Critical Thinking (ACTS=PHIL 1003) 1013 from SPAN, FR, GER, or JPN 1023 from SPAN, FR, GER, JPN, or CHIN LEAD 2003 Ethics in Leadership | U.S. History & Government HIST 1903 Survey of American History HIST 2003 U.S. History to 1877 (ACTS=HIST2113) HIST 2013 U.S. History since 1877 (ACTS=HIST2123) POLS 2003 American Government (ACTS=PLSC2003) Science with Lab BIOL 1014- Intro. to Biological Science (ACTS= BIOL1004) BIOL/PHSC 1004- Principles of Environmental Science GEOL 1014- Physical Geology (ACTS= GEOL 1114) University Honors students should consult Course Catalog for appropriate Fine Arts/Humanities, US History/Government and Social Science options for University Honors Curriculum. |
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Possible Careers: Writing/Editing for Publication, Preparation for Graduate Studies in Creative Writing programs

Sample Schedule

| Semester 5 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
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| ENGL 3073-Creative Nonfiction Workshop | 3 | | |
| ENGL 3093- Poetry Workshop | 3 | | |
| ENGL 3313- American Literature to 1900 | 3 | | Research grad school or post-grad options and do a mock interview utilizing Career Services |
| ENGL 3413- British Literature to 1800 | 3 | | |
| General Elective | 3 | | |
| Total hours | 15 | GPA | |

| Semester 6 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|--|------|-------|--|
| ENGL 3083- Fiction Workshop | 3 | | Complete an internship or field-related experience |
| ENGL 3323- Modern American Literature | 3 | | |
| ENGL 3423- British Literature since 1800 | 3 | | |
| General Elective | 3 | | |
| General Elective (3000-4000 level) | 3 | | |
| Total hours | 15 | GPA | APPLY FOR GRADUATION |

| Semester 7 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|--|------|-------|---|
| ENGL 4093- Seminar in Creative Writing | 3 | | May be repeated for credit |
| English Elective (2000-4000 level) | 3 | | **See English Electives note |
| General Elective | 3 | | |
| General Elective | 3 | | Finalize résumé, cover letter, and references and complete a senior check-in with Career Services |
| General Elective (3000-4000 level) | 3 | | |
| Total hours | 15 | GPA | |

| Semester 8 | Hrs. | Grade | Milestones/Notes |
|---|------|-------|---|
| ENGL 4813- Senior Project in Creative Writing | 3 | | |
| General Elective (3000-4000 level) | 3 | | Graduation Requirements: Min. hours 3000-4000 level courses: 40 No more than 4 PE activity hours Min. hours required:120 2.00+ GPA |
| General Elective (3000-4000 level) | 3 | | |
| General Elective | 3 | | |
| Total hours | 12 | GPA | |

General Electives: 27 hours (1000-4000 level); 12 hours (3000-4000 level) (Student may need less UD electives, if more than 12 hours of 3000-4000 level ENGL electives are earned)

indicates a "C" or better is required

**English Electives Exclude: ENGL 2003, 2013, 2173, 2881 & 4881-4

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| Social Sciences HIST 1503 World History to 1500 (ACTS=HIST1113) HIST 1513 World History since 1500 (ACTS=HIST1123) HIST 2003 U.S. History to 1877 (ACTS=HIST2113) HIST 2013 U.S. History since 1877 (ACTS=HIST2123) HIST 1903 Survey of American History POLS 2003 American Government (ACTS=PLSC2003) ECON 2003 Principles of Macroeconomics (ACTS=ECON2103) ECON 2013 Principles of Microeconomics (ACTS=ECON2203) SOC 1003 Introductory Sociology (ACTS=SOCI1013) PSY 2003 General Psychology (ACTS=PSYC1103) | Communication Courses COMM 1003 Intro to Speech Comm COMM 2003 Public Speaking COMM 2173 Business and Professional Speaking |
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