

WRITING - BS or BA

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISOR.

Year One			
¹ WRT 150 Science General Education Course with Lab	4	² WRT 219 Foreign Language 102 or Bachelor of Science Course	3
Foreign Language 101 or ³ Bachelor of Science Course (ENG 261)	4	General Education Course	4
General Education Course	4 or 3	³ MTH 110 or Math GenEd (<i>CIS 160 if doing the BS</i>)	3
Elective (if needed)	3	<i>Prerequisite: assignment through math placement exam</i>	4 or 3
	1	Elective (if needed)	1 or 2
<i>Total</i>	15	<i>Total</i>	15
Year Two			
² WRT 200	3	² WRT 253	3
² WRT 210	3	Minor/Elective Course/Bachelor of Science Course	3
General Education Course	3	Module 1 Course (see page 2)	3
Foreign Language 201 or ³ Bachelor of Science Course	3/4	General Education Course	3
Elective (if needed)	2	Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3
<i>Total</i>	15	<i>Total</i>	15
Year Three			
Module 1 Course	3	Module 2 Course	3
Module 2 Course	3	Module 3 Course	3
Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3	General Education Course	3
General Education Course	3	Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3
Interdisciplinary or WRT Elective	3	Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3
<i>Total</i>	15	<i>Total</i>	15
Year Four			
Module 3 Course	3	WRT 495	3
General Education Course	3	<i>Prerequisite: writing core courses and senior standing</i>	
Issues Gen Ed	3	Interdisciplinary or WRT Elective	3
Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3	Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3
WRT 490	3	Elective/2 nd Major/Minor Course	3
<i>Prerequisite: writing core courses, junior standing, minimum 2.75 major GPA</i>		Issues Gen Ed	3
<i>Total</i>	15	<i>Total</i>	15

* The block-tuition rate is 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition per-credit for any credits over 15. **You MUST obtain at least 120 credits total.**

¹ Students who self-place into WRT 150 (4 Credits) for their writing foundations requirement should take this course in semester 1 of their first year.

Students who self-place into WRT120 (3 Credits) should take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 (3 Credits) in the winter semester of the first year. A grade of C or higher is required in WRT 130 or WRT 150 to fulfill the writing foundations requirement. Students will not need to take WRT 150 (or 120 & 130) if they have earned credit for the course through AP/Dual Enrollment.

² Students must take WRT 200, 210, 219, and 253, but in any order (all have WRT 150 or 130 as a prerequisite).

³ Bachelor of Science requirements are ENG 261, STA 215, and CIS 238. MTH 110 and CIS 160 are prerequisites for the STA 215 and CIS 238 courses.

*Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute. You must have a total of 120 credits to graduate from Grand Valley State University (you are encouraged to complete an average of 15 credits per semester). Supplement major courses with general education courses when scheduling. The block tuition rate is for 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15.

Guide for Declaring the Writing Major

1. Log into myBanner from the GVSU homepage
2. Once logged in select "Student", "Student Records", and then, "Change Major"
3. Click on the "Change Major 1/Program" box
4. Click on the down arrow in the box next to "New Major 1/Program," from here scroll down and choose "Writing-BA or BS"
5. Click "Submit" and then "Change to New Program"

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CLAS Voyage Courses	
What is the CLAS Voyage? https://www.gvsu.edu/clas/clas-voyage-1184.htm or search "GVSU CLAS Voyage"	
Embarking Experience	Ask your academic advisor for more info
Experiential Learning	WRT 200, 490
Capstone	WRT 495

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Writing Major:		
Arts: WRT 219	³ Math: CIS 160 and STA 215 (if Bachelor of Science is selected)	Issues: Option to select WRT 354 or WRT 358 as 1 of 2 required Issues courses

Degree: choose one (B.A. or B.S.)	
Writing majors have the option of completing a B.A. or B.S. The course requirements are listed below.	
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)	³ Bachelor of Science (B.S.)
Third semester language proficiency (201 level) is required for the B.A. degree. This may be fulfilled through language placement (https://gvsulrc.notion.site/Language-proficiency-requirements-and-assessments-at-GVSU-90cd81e41f16456fbfbf335e0667e5d6) or by completing the courses listed below — Language 101* (4) — Language 102* (4) (*150 covers 101 & 102. Recommended for students with previous language background. Meets 201 prerequisite.) — Language 201 (4)	— STA 215 Introduction to Statistics (3) <i>Prerequisite: MTH 110 or equivalent</i> — CIS 238 Internet Media and Programming (3) <i>Prerequisite: CIS 160 (do not take CIS 162)</i> — ENG 261 Foundations of Language Study (3)

Modules (18 credits)		
Students must choose three modules and take the two courses listed in the module		
Poetry Workshops — WRT 320 Intermediate Poetry (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 219</i> — WRT 420 Advanced Poetry (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 320</i>	Nonfiction Workshops — WRT 360 Intermediate Creative Nonfiction (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 150 and WRT 219</i> — WRT 460 Adv. Creative Nonfiction (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 360</i>	Fiction Workshops — WRT 330 Intermediate Fiction (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 219</i> — WRT 430 Advanced Fiction (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 330</i>
Working with Writers & Manuscripts — WRT 307 Consulting with Writers (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 200 and WRT 219</i> — WRT 308 Editing and Publishing (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 200 or WRT 219; and WRT 210</i>	Reading as Writers — WRT 316 Style and Technique (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 210 and WRT 219</i> — WRT 411 Style and the Book (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 210 and WRT 219</i>	
Writing for the Web — WRT 351 Writing for the Web (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 253 and WRT 200</i> — WRT 451 Adv. Writing for the Web (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 351</i>	Writing for Global and Local Users — WRT 354 Writing in the Global Context (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 210 and WRT 219</i> — WRT 358 User Experience Writing (3) <i>Prerequisite: WRT 354</i>	Writing with Technologies — WRT 353 Visual Rhetoric and Design (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 253 or Junior Standing</i> — WRT 455 Writing with Digital Tools (3) <i>Prerequisites: WRT 253 or Junior Standing</i>
Electives (6 credits)		
Students can choose two Interdisciplinary Electives or two Writing Electives (Any WRT Module Course, WRT 350 Business Communication, WRT 356 Int. Magazine Writing, WRT 357 Professional Writing in International Contexts, or WRT 381 Sports and Writing). Interdisciplinary Courses must be approved by your faculty advisor.		
— Elective _____ (3) — Elective _____ (3)		

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