

Writing, Rhetoric, and Digital Studies - B.A.

College of
Arts and Sciences

The major in Writing, Rhetoric, and Digital Studies focus on the humanistic study of writing and rhetoric in its various genres, contexts (social, historical, political), and media (print and digital, textual and visual). Students in the program study rhetoric and composition theory, practice writing in various forms (including professional and technical writing), and consider the emerging dynamics of digital composition.

120 hours (minimum)

Any student earning a Bachelor of Arts (BA) degree must complete a minimum of 39 hours at the 300+ level. These hours are generally completed by the major requirements. However, keep this hour requirement in mind as you choose your course work for the requirements in the major. See the complete description of College requirements for a Bachelor of Arts degree in the *Arts and Sciences* section of the 2024-2025 Undergraduate Catalog.

UK Core Requirements

See the *UK Core* section of the 2024-2025 Undergraduate Catalog for the complete UK Core requirements. The courses listed below are (a) recommended by the college, or (b) required courses that also fulfill UK Core areas. Students should work closely with their advisor to complete the UK Core requirements.

I. Intellectual Inquiry in Arts and Creativity

Choose one course from approved list.....3

II. Intellectual Inquiry in the Humanities

Choose one course from approved list.....3

III. Intellectual Inquiry in the Social Sciences

Choose one course from approved list.....3

IV. Intellectual Inquiry in the Natural, Physical, and Mathematical Sciences

Choose one course from approved list.....3

V. Composition and Communication I

CIS/WRD 110 Composition and Communication I3

VI. Composition and Communication II

CIS/WRD 111 Composition and Communication II3

VII. Quantitative Foundations

Choose one course from approved list.....3

VIII. Statistical Inferential Reasoning

Choose one course from approved list.....3

IX. Community, Culture and Citizenship in the USA

Choose one course from approved list.....3

X. Global Dynamics

Choose one course from approved list.....3

UK Core hours: 30

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement (GCCR)

WRD 430 Advanced Workshop (Subtitle required).....3

Graduation Composition and Communication Requirement hours (GCCR): 3

College Requirements

I. Foreign Language 0-14

II. Disciplinary Requirements

a. Natural Science.....6

b. Social Science.....6

c. Humanities.....3

III. Laboratory or Field Work.....3

IV. Race and Ethnicity Requirement..... 0-3

V. Electives.....3

College Requirement hours: 21-38

Major Requirements

Core Courses

WRD 300 Introduction to Writing, Rhetoric, and Digital Studies.....3

WRD 430 Advanced Workshop (Subtitle required).....3

Core Courses hours: 6

Other Course Work Required for the Major

From the Major Department

Three hours of WRD courses at the 200-level or above3

Twelve hours of WRD courses at the 300-level (excluding WRD 300)..... 12

Twelve hours of WRD courses at the 400-500 level (excluding WRD 430)..... 12

From Outside the Major Department

Choose 6 hours outside WRD at the 200+ level.

Total Major hours: 39

Electives

Free Electives.....6

Elective hours: 6

Total Minimum Hours

Required for Degree 120

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