


PROFESSIONAL WRITING, B.A.












The B.A. in Professional Writing program at Marshall University prepares students for a variety of writing careers using multiple media and digital tools. Working professionals require a range of writing skills that cross all fields and disciplines. They must write with clarity, purpose, and a solid understanding of their audience. This takes training, and our goal in the Department of English at Marshall University is to prepare students to delve into every writing challenge with confidence and savvy. We teach students to work with a wide range of documents, such as proposals, business plans, and reports, while also composing within digital environments for a variety of purposes. Professional writers can specialize in technology, science, health care, journalism, fund development, any given trade, or all of these things and more to build a portfolio and a busy career.

 - General Education Course

 - Milestone course: a key success marker for your major. See your advisor to discuss the importance of this course in your plan of study.



Major

The Core Curriculum is designed to foster critical thinking skills and introduce students to basic domains of thinking that transcend disciplines. The Core applies to all majors. Information on specific classes in the Core can be found at <https://www.marshall.edu/gened/>.

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Core Curriculum		
<i>Core I Critical Thinking</i>		
FYS 100	First Yr Sem Critical Thinking	3
MTH 121 	Concepts and Applications (CT)	3
	Critical Thinking Course	3
<i>Core II</i>		
ENG 101  	Beginning Composition	3
ENG 201  	Advanced Composition	3
CMM 103  	Fund Speech-Communication	3
MTH 121  	Concepts and Applications (CT)	3
	Core II Natural/Physical Science	4
	Core II Humanities	3
ENG 200 	Texting the World(CT) (recommended)	3
	Core II Social Science	3
	Core II Fine Arts	3
<i>Additional University Requirements</i>		
	ENG Writing Intensive	3
	ENG Writing Intensive	3
	Multicultural or International	3
ENG 499 	Senior Capstone (not offered in summer)	3
College-Specific		
	Foreign Language 101	3
	Foreign Language 102	3
	Foreign Language 203	3
	Foreign Language 204	3

COLA Humanities	3
COLA Literature	3
COLA Literature	3
COLA Social Science	3
COLA Social Science	3
COLA Social Science	3
COLA Natural/Physical Science	4
COLA International	3
COLA Multicultural	3

Major-Specific

ENG 350 	Intro to Textual Analysis (must be taken within the first 9 hours of coursework within the major)	3
ENG 439	Professional Writing Theory	3
ENG 499 	Senior Capstone (not offered in summer)	3

Required Introductory Course

ENG 314	Intro to Professional Writing	3
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Professionalization Courses

Select two of the following:

ENG 407	Writing, Editing & Doc Design	
ENG 408	Writing in the Digital World	
ENG 431	Writing for Non-Profits	

Specialist Courses

Select three of the following:

ENG 204	Writing for the Workplace	
ENG 263 	Intro Digital Literary Studies	
ENG 354	Scientific & Tech Writing	
ENG 467	Visual Rhetoric	
ENG 476	Structures of English Language	
ENG 490	Internship	


English Electives	9
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Select any 200-, 300-, or 400-level ENG classes


Major Information

- The total number of free electives will depend on the amount of double and triple counting of requirements. Core II and COLA requirements may not be double counted.
- See course attributes each semester for courses that meet multiple requirements.
- Questions about requirements should be directed to your English Department advisor (304-696-6600) or to the College of Liberal Arts (304-696-2350).
- Forty-eight credit hours (sixteen 3-hour courses) must be at the 300/400 level.
- Students must earn a C or better in ENG 201 Advanced Composition, all ENG courses for the major, and all foreign language courses.
- Minimum of 120 hours to graduate.
- English majors will fulfill the university's requirements for WL classes by taking the ENG classes required for the major.

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Course	Title	Credit Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
ENG 101 	Beginning Composition	3
FYS 100	First Yr Sem Critical Thinking	3
Core II Social Science		3
COLA Social Science		3
CMM 103 	Fund Speech-Communication	3
UNI 100	Freshman First Class	1
Credit Hours		16
Second Semester		
Core II Humanities (ENG 200 recommended)		3
ENG 201 	Advanced Composition	3
Core I Critical Thinking		3
MTH 121 	Concepts and Applications (CT)	3
Core II Fine Arts		3
Credit Hours		15
Second Year		
First Semester		
ENG 350 	Intro to Textual Analysis	3
Core II Physical and Natural Science		4
Foreign Language 101		3
ENG 314	Intro to Professional Writing	3
Multicultural or International		3
Credit Hours		16
Second Semester		
ENG Professionalization Course 1		3
COLA Social Science		3
COLA International		3
Foreign Language 102		3
Free Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Third Year		
First Semester		
ENG Specialist Course 1		3
ENG Professionalization Course 2		3
ENG Elective		3
Foreign Language 203		3
Free Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Second Semester		
ENG Specialist Course 2		3
ENG 439	Professional Writing Theory	3
COLA Physical or Natural Science		4
COLA Social Science		3
Foreign Language 204		3
Credit Hours		16
Fourth Year		
First Semester		
ENG Elective		3
COLA Multicultural		3

ENG 490	Internship	3
COLA Humanities		3
Free Elective		3
Credit Hours		15
Second Semester		
ENG 499 	Senior Capstone	3
ENG Elective		3
Free Elective		3
Free Elective		3
Credit Hours		12
Total Credit Hours		120