



MAJOR CHOSEN: CREATIVE WRITING

I. A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE MAJOR

The Creative Writing major exists to meet the need for a vital, professionally enhanced Christian witness through the print and electronic media. Christian young people who are verbally gifted and skilled in the means of mass communication can offer the needed corrective to the current secular media.

II. COURSE HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some of the courses you will especially enjoy:

Creative Writing This course explores principles and techniques of imaginative (non-informational and non-argumentative) writing, with an emphasis on fiction but also including poetry and drama.

Article Writing This course provides principles for researching and writing nonfiction articles and includes emphasis on market analysis and submission to publishers.

Short Story Writing This course will teach you the principles and techniques of writing short fiction.

Script Writing This elective course will focus on the principles and techniques of adapting fiction to the media of radio, television, and cinema.

Writing for Children This elective course emphasizes the philosophy, writing styles, trends, and age categories appropriate to writing children's literature, with special focus on plot, character, theme, and setting.

III. A TYPICAL YEARLY COURSE SEQUENCE

This is a suggested program of study for you. Other refinements to your program can be made when you consult your faculty advisor at the time of your enrollment.

You will notice that some courses are listed as electives. These electives give you the opportunity to tailor your program by selecting courses you would like to take for your own personal enjoyment.



Freshman

Orientation	1
Composition & Rhetoric	3
History of Civilization	3
Old Testament Messages	1
Foreign Language	3
Science, Mathematics, or Computer Science	3
Philosophy or Psychology	<u>3</u>
Total	17

Orientation	1
Composition & Literature	3
History of Civilization	3
New Testament Messages	1
Fundamentals of Speech	3
Foreign Language	3
Science, Mathematics, or Computer Science	<u>3</u>
Total	17

Sophomore

Principles of Communication	3
Creative Writing	3
Sophomore Bible Elective	1
English Literature.....	3
Foreign Language	3
Philosophy or Psychology	<u>3</u>
Total	16

Expository Writing	3
Sophomore Bible Elective	1
Foreign Language	3
Minor or Electives	<u>7</u>
Total	14

Junior

Short Story Writing	3
Bible Doctrines	3
Creative Writing Elective	3
Creative Writing Elective	3
Minor or Electives	<u>4</u>
Total	16

Christian Family Forum	1
Bible Doctrines	3
Oral Communication for the Professions	3
Creative Writing Elective.....	3
Creative Writing Elective.....	3
Minor or Electives	<u>3</u>
Total	16

Senior

Writing Internship	3
Writing Seminar	1
Upper-Level Bible Elective	2
Minor or Electives	<u>10</u>
Total	16

Upper-Level Bible Elective	2
Professional Writing/Publication Elective	3
Minor or Electives	<u>11</u>
Total	16

IV. FACILITIES, EQUIPMENT, AND OPPORTUNITIES

The Collegian and the Vintage, the student newspaper and yearbook, provide opportunities for approved students to apply their writing skills.

The Professional Internship is another course taken during your senior year, upon recommendation of the department’s evaluating committee, in which you will be placed with an organization that will give you on-the-job experience in the areas of your specialization. The internship may be completed at organizations such as a local newspaper, the University Press, Unusual Films, or radio station WMUU.

Writing Seminar is a special topics course you will take during your senior year. It is designed to round out and firm up your Christian view of writing methods and goals.



Writers' Forum meets two or three times a semester so that students in any of the six majors in the Professional Writing and Publication Department can receive practical advice from a guest speaker who is a working professional in a writing or broadcasting field.

Through the various campus media, you will have the advantage of receiving experience and using the facilities in such highly developed ministries as Unusual Films, radio station WMUU, and the University Press. You will have the opportunity to work closely with technically trained personnel in their vocational fields and to see their best work in print or performed on stage, radio, or film.

Completely equipped computer laboratories are available for your use. There are many academic computer labs conveniently located all over campus. They consist of various types of PCs, Apple PowerMacs, and laser printers and are all interconnected via a Novell computer network.

The productions of the *University Classic Players* and *Opera Association* will enable you in four years to see several Shakespearean plays and grand operas performed on campus. Every year there are also frequent recitals and student performances in theater, speech, and music.

Our Modern Language Laboratory, open six days a week, contains the latest state-of-the-art recording and listening equipment, providing you with a unique opportunity to perfect your language skills. We have thirty-five laptop computers available for you to listen to programs that accompany your textbooks, record your own oral responses, and access foreign language materials through the Internet. You may use these facilities without paying a lab fee.

Chapel is a central feature of Bob Jones University. This 35-minute service is held every morning, Monday through Thursday. These services are a source of great inspiration to students. Four days a week the Chapel message is brought by the President or by selected speakers. Each Friday the Chapel period is devoted to the meetings of various literary societies.

The annual spring Bible Conference is one of the outstanding features of the University and Academy year. Your regular academic work will be suspended for the Conference, during which you will hear messages from outstanding Bible teachers, pastors, and evangelists.

Davis Field House, with over 87,000 square feet and seating for 3,000 people, contains 4 full-sized courts; auxiliary courts; indoor and outdoor tracks; swimming pool; café; and a fitness center with fully-equipped exercise room, aerobic room, sauna, and whirlpool.

The Mack Library, with 90,000 square feet of floor space and seating for over 1,300 students, gives you access to 294,000 volumes, 1,100 current periodical subscriptions, and more than 17,000 music, speech, and language recordings. Mack Library offers access to over 65 electronic databases on the library web site. An interlibrary loan program is available through OCLC, a national database, for books not held in our library. Other prominent features include the Jerusalem Chamber, a replica of the room in Westminster Abbey in London in which work was done on the 1611 King James Bible, and the University Archives Room which displays materials about the Founder and history of the University.



If you are planning to live on campus, you will be glad to know that all of our residence halls are air-conditioned, have wall-to-wall carpeting, and have a phone in each room. You will be able to make long-distance calls directly from your room and have them automatically placed on your school bill. Computer network connectivity is available in all residence halls, as well.

All of our classrooms are air-conditioned, and there are awnings over the sidewalks to keep you dry when it is raining. The Dining Common serves 8,500 delicious meals a day, and the Snack Shop and Bookstore in the Student Center carry just about anything you'll need.

You will find the finest Christian young people in the country are your fellow students, and without trying too hard, you may end up making a life-long friend!

V. ABOUT THE FACULTY

The courses of the Department of Professional Writing and Publication are taught by experts in the theory and skills they teach. All of these professors have graduate degrees and years of experience in teaching the elements of writing and writing production. They have written many books and articles, and have experience in editorial consulting.

VI. CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND PLACEMENT

With a major in Creative Writing, you will be prepared to enter a number of fields in mass communications and, as a Christian, make your impact felt. Among these fields are the following:

- Advertising
- Free-lance writing
- Radio
- Films
- Promotion
- Textbooks

VII. BJU: AN AFFORDABLE EDUCATION

Enclosed is an expense sheet detailing the cost of attending Bob Jones University. When you compare our charges to those of other private colleges, we think you will be pleasantly surprised. We believe we offer a student more value for his dollar than anyone else in America. And to help you see how affordable "the Opportunity Place" can be for you, we have enclosed a financial aid brochure that you can use to evaluate your own situation. Your Admissions Counselor or the Director of Student Financial Aid would be happy to discuss this with you if you have any questions.



HOW TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP . . .

If you can see yourself in the career described in the profile, then a great opportunity awaits you at Bob Jones University. It is the opportunity for the premier Christian college experience in all the world. It is the opportunity for learning, for fun, and for developing new friendships. It is the opportunity to prepare for a lifetime of service for the Lord . . .

The Opportunity Place . . . God's Special Place for You.