

CREATIVE WRITING, B.F.A.

Seven Penn State campuses are scheduled for closure after Spring 2027: DuBois, Fayette, New Kensington, Mont Alto, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, and York. New students are not being admitted at these campuses.

Begin Campus: Any Penn State Campus

End Campus: Erie

Career Paths

As a Creative Writing major, you'll enhance your knowledge and sharpen your skills through a variety of literature courses and writing workshops. Additionally, you'll interact with established writers who visit campus as part of the Smith Creative Writers Reading Series, and you'll have the opportunity to help edit *Lake Effect*, an international literary journal. Penn State Behrend has a comprehensive support system to help you identify and achieve your goals for college and beyond. Meet with your academic adviser often and take advantage of the services offered by the Academic and Career Planning Center beginning in your first semester.

Careers

A B.F.A. in Creative Writing can lead to a variety of careers. Graduates of Penn State Behrend's program publish their writing widely. They also work as technical writers, communications coordinators, copy editors, editors of presses, marketing directors, project managers, media associates, university professors, teachers, lawyers, librarians, and freelance writers and editors.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES OF THE CREATIVE WRITING PROGRAM (<https://behrend.psu.edu/school-of-humanities-social-sciences/academic-programs/creative-writing>)

Opportunities for Graduate Studies

Recent Behrend B.F.A. graduates have earned advanced degrees at the University of Utah, Bowling Green State University, Ohio State University, Indiana University, the University of Minnesota, Wichita State University, George Mason University, the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, the University of Southern California, Northeastern University, the University of North Dakota, the University of Alaska-Fairbanks, Northern Michigan University, Duquesne University, and Syracuse University.

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Professional Resources

- Association of Writers and Writing Programs (<https://www.awpwriter.org/>)