

This worksheet is for **PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY** and does not replace your **degree evaluation report** once you have **declared** your program. In the event of any discrepancy, your degree report and the **Academic Calendar (September 2026)** will be considered the authority.

## Writing Major (BA or BFA)

Faculty of Fine Arts, Department of Writing

### Years 1 – 2 (Optional advanced standing application)

Course requirement	Units
<b>Fine Arts Co-requisite:</b> 1 of AHVS 120, AHVS 121, ART 155, ART 156, FA 101, FA 245, MUS 109, MUS 116, THEA 102, or THEA 104.	1.5
<b>Year 1: WRIT 100</b> (yearlong: fall-spring)	3.0
<b>Year 2: Workshop A in two genres</b> Two of WRIT 201A, 202A, 203A, 204A, 218A	1.5 1.5
<b>Year 2: Workshop B in two genres</b> Two of WRIT 201B, 202B, 203B, 204B, 218B	1.5 1.5
<b>*Electives</b> (include AWR course, if needed)	19.5

Declare your major after completing 12 units.

**Eligibility for Year 2 workshops:** (1) WRIT 100 with min. B grade (73%) and (2) Admitted to the Faculty of Fine Arts in the BA or BFA Writing program (Jan 31 application deadline) OR declared double major with Writing.

### Years 3 – 4

Course requirement	Units
<b>*Year 3: 300-level WRIT workshop</b> -Continue at least one genre from Year 2 -Screenwriting: Take 326 before 320	1.5
<b>*Year 3 or 4: 300-level WRIT workshop</b>	1.5
<b>*Year 4: 400-level WRIT workshop (spring term)</b>	1.5
<b>WRIT 300 - 499</b> -Can include workshops in a second genre -Screenwriting: 326 applies here	10.5
<b>*Electives</b>	9.0
<b>*Electives 300 - 499</b>	6.0
<b>Total units required for degree</b>	<b>60.0</b>

\*Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA): 7.5 units of electives must be AHVS, ART, FA, MUS, THEA, or TS. Bachelor of Arts (BA): Choose any elective courses.

This is a **sample plan** for students intending a balanced **full-time four-year degree** with or without summer studies.

- **Full-time students:** Complete at least **12 units** by April 30 of Year 1 to gain **second-year standing**.
- **Part-time students:** If you'll be taking a reduced course load, your degree will take longer.
- **Summer studies in electives are optional.** Writing courses are not usually offered May to August.
- **Your electives** can be taken in any term or year and can apply to the requirements of another program (major or minor). Find tips about choosing electives at [uvic.ca/fineartsadvising](http://uvic.ca/fineartsadvising)
- **Need academic accommodations?** Register with the **Centre for Accessible Learning (CAL)** after you accept your offer of admission.
- **Questions about fees or tax forms?** Go to the **tuition and student fees** page.
- Visit **Student Awards and Financial Aid (SAFA)** for info about **bursaries, scholarships, loans** and the **work study program**.
- The **International Centre for Students (ICS)** supports international students and offers the **International Exchange Program**.
- **Co-op and Career Services** offers **paid work experience programs**. **Career educators** are available to help you plan.
- **Other questions?** Email [fineartsadvising@uvic.ca](mailto:fineartsadvising@uvic.ca).

#### Course registration help:

Learn **how to register for courses**.

-Review **course descriptions** and **timetable notes**.

-Contact [studentsupport@uvic.ca](mailto:studentsupport@uvic.ca) or (250) 721-8121.

-Email any questions about WRIT courses to [writing@uvic.ca](mailto:writing@uvic.ca).

### PROGRAM & COURSES

A **red asterisk (\*)** on this page indicates associated details: Look up the **Writing Major program entry in the Academic Calendar** for more info. **Your responsibility:** Make sure you're informed about all supplemental information related to courses as they apply to your program, **including prerequisites**.

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the requirements for your program, you must satisfy all **requirements for the Faculty of Fine Arts** including to have at least 30 of the minimum 60 required units at UVic. Within these 60 units, 21 units must be upper-level (300-499) courses, and 18 of those 21 units must be taken at UVic.

### ACADEMIC WRITING

If you've not already satisfied UVic's **Academic Writing Requirement (AWR)** on admission, you'll need **one of ATWP 110, ATWP 135, ENSH 101, ENSH 102, ENSH103** or another approved course. Note: Your program (above) may also list one or more of these courses as mandatory requirements.

### DECLARING PROGRAM

**Request to declare your academic program** at the end of Year 1 or 2.

Declared students use an online **degree evaluation report** for tracking graduation requirements instead of this worksheet.