

# Your Degree Pathway

A degree in Professional Writing requires the completion of 90 Credits for a Bachelor's Degree (three years) or 120 Credits for an Honours Degree (four years). Your courses will consist of Major, General Education, and Elective Courses.

## First Year

First year will introduce you to the university environment, provide you with general education courses, and allow options for you to study courses aligned with your own interests.



**Professional Writing Courses:** Professional Writing: An Introduction, Research for Professional Writers

**General Education Courses:** Humanities, Social Sciences or Natural Sciences (for non-science students)

**Elective Courses:** Your choice of courses outside of Professional Writing

## Second Year

In your second year, you will complete your introductory tour through the fundamentals of Professional Writing.



**Professional Writing Courses:** Rhetoric: Strategy and Application, Genre for Professional Writers, Fundamentals of Editing, Writing in Digital Cultures

**Elective Course Options:** Studies in Non-Fiction, Grammar and Proofreading

## Third Year

In your third year, you will begin to explore Professional Writing's specialized fields.



**Professional Writing Course Options (6 Credits):** Intermediate Digital Authoring, Introduction to Periodical Writing and Publishing, Introduction to Institutional/Business Writing, Books and Bookmaking in the 21st Century

**Elective Course Options:** Journalism Ethics: A Practical and Theoretical Approach, The Ethics of Publicity, Practical Studies in Damage Control, Reading the News: Examining the Rhetoric of the Press, Substantive Editing, Digesting Technical Information, Workshop in Presentation Strategies, The Mechanics of Style

## Fourth Year

In fourth year, you will select two fields and engage with them in year-long, hands-on practicum courses.



**Professional Writing Practicum Options (12 Credits):** Digital Authoring Practicum, Periodical Writing and Publishing Practicum, Institutional/Business Writing Practicum, Book Publishing Practicum

**Elective Course Options:** Print Culture and the History of the Book, Travel Writing & The Professional Writer Landscape, Editing Shakespeare Electronically and in Print: The Theory and Practice of Editorial Transmission and Transformation, Advanced Workshop 1: Visual Information and Document Design, Advanced Workshop 2: Multimedia Authoring and Practices



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