

Changes to the English, Concentration in Creative Writing Major as of Fall 2017

Starting in Fall 2017, most of the upper division English courses will be offered as 4 unit courses; the only courses that will not be transitioning to 4 credits are ones that currently fulfill GE (SJSU studies Areas Z, S, and V). In addition, we are revising our current sophomore survey requirements into a three sequence, TransAtlantic survey to explore the conversation between English and American Literature.

This transition will place more of your study within upper division courses, and while it will reduce the total number of classes that you will take, it will expand the breadth of these courses. The 4 credit courses will provide additional depth to your exploration of the material, either in additional reading, additional assignments, or differently designed delivery of the material.

The total number of units required for the English, Concentration in Creative Writing major is changing from 51 to 48 to 52.

CATALOG RIGHTS: Students retain the right to graduate under the catalog rules in effect during their first semester at SJSU. Students who enrolled at SJSU before Fall 2017 are therefore entitled to graduate under the old model (51 units). Students who enrolled at SJSU in Fall 2017 or later must complete the requirements listed for the new model above.

These changes are detailed below (shaded areas highlight changes under the new model).

OLD MODEL		NEW MODEL	
Creative Writing Prerequisite (3 Units)	Units	Creative Writing Prerequisite (3 Units)	Units
Engl 71 (satisfies GE C2)	3	Engl 71 (satisfies GE C2)	3
English Major Core (21 Units)		English Major Core (17 Units)	
Engl 56B & 68A	6	Engl 50	3
Engl 68B	3	Engl 60 (offered Spring only)	4
Engl 100 W	3	Engl 70	3
Engl 122, 123A-D or Engl 125	3	Engl 100W	3
Engl 144 or 145	3	Select One: Engl 125, 144 or 145	4
Engl 193C (Senior)	3		
Creative Writing Concentration (18 Units)		Creative Writing Concentration (16 Units)	
Engl 139	3	16 Units from these courses. Each course can be repeated a maximum of 2x: Engl 130, 131, 133 or 135. Courses are 4 units each.	16
15 Units from these courses. Each course can be repeated a maximum of 2x: Engl 105, 130, 131, 133 or 135. Courses are 3 units each.	15		
Literature Requirements (9 Units)		Elective Requirements (12-16 Units)	
Select any 3 Upper Division Literature Courses	9	Select any 4 Upper Division Courses*	12-16
TOTAL FOR THE MAJOR	51	TOTAL FOR THE MAJOR	48-52

* English 133 may be repeated 2x

We are committed to working with students to make this transition as easy as possible. Please come talk to a major advisor or the department chair ASAP if you have concerns!