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Group	Course	Offerings
English and Creative Writing	English and Creative Writing (BA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murdoch campus (internal) • Murdoch campus (external)

ENGLISH AND CREATIVE WRITING

ENGLISH AND CREATIVE WRITING (BA)

Languages and Writing Skills:

English and Creative Writing students are strongly encouraged to study another language, such as Indonesian, Japanese, Biblical Hebrew and New Testament Greek, all offered by Murdoch University, or another language studied cross-institutionally. Students are also encouraged to include a writing unit in their selection of a general elective at either Part I or Part II.

Availability:

- Murdoch campus (internal)
 Murdoch campus (external)

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English and Creative Writing

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English and Creative Writing offers students excellent opportunities to develop critical, conceptual and creative skills in order to become incisive thinkers, adept readers and imaginative writers. Students engage with a wide range of literary, theoretical, dramatic, and other texts, from the Renaissance to the present day, enabling them to hone their capacity for reflection and analysis. They will develop the ability to write a diverse range of literary and related genres. Upon completion of the major, graduates will be skilled in methods of critical analysis and argument; fluent in oral and written expression; and confident in their ability to undertake critical and/or creative work.

Special Requirements:

There may be a reduction in choice of units if completing this course in the external mode.

In the Bachelor of Arts you will develop a broad understanding of your field and proficiency in producing written and oral arguments and creative artefacts in response to social, human and natural phenomena. You will also develop a critical appreciation of the perspectives of others. As an Arts graduate you will be able to think critically and creatively, apply knowledge and information, and communicate effectively. These are professional skills which are critical across a range of industries. You will also be able to pursue further study in the fields of social research, the humanities and/or the creative arts.

Duration: 3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Humanities

Admission Requirements (Onshore):

As per normal undergraduate admission requirements.

Employment Prospects:

Depending on the particular make-up of the degree, graduates in English and Creative Writing would be well prepared for employment in several of the following professions: advertising, design, teaching, public administration, journalism, publishing, computer arts, and many fields of business.

Course Structure - 72 credit points

Part I - 24 credit points

Year 1 - 24 credit points

Transition Unit - 3 credit points

BAR100 Academic Learning Skills - 3 points

Breadth Unit for Degree - 3 credit points

BAR150 Ideas and Identity - 3 points

Core Units - 6 credit points

The following unit is no longer available - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL121 Turning Points in Literature - 3 points

Murdoch: S1-internal, S1-external

The following unit is no longer available - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL122 Writing and Creativity - 3 points

Murdoch: S2-internal, S2-external

General Electives - 12 credit points

Select from any 100-level units offered by the University, subject to individual unit prerequisites. Students are advised to consider using General Elective points to meet the requirements of a second major or minor. Any recommended double majors and minors will be included in the major's description.

Part II - 48 credit points

University-Wide Breadth Units - 6 credit points

Select from the prescribed list of University-Wide Breadth Units. A unit cannot be used to satisfy both this Breadth Unit requirement and the requirements of a major or minor. If taken at 100 level the unit(s) will be attributed to Part I. Note that no more than 30 credit points at Part I may be credited towards course completion requirements.

Year 2 - 21 credit points

Research Skills Unit - 3 credit points

The Research Skills unit to be taken will depend on the student's Primary Major enrolment. Select from the following.

For Primary Major in Social and Developmental Psychology

BSC201 Psychology: Measurement, Design and Analysis - 3 points

MURDOCH: S1-internal

For All Other Primary Majors

BAR200 Developing Research Skills and Methods - 3 points

MURDOCH: S1-internal, S1-external, S2-internal, S2-external

Core Unit - 3 credit points

The following unit is no longer available - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL252 Great Books Past and Present 1 - 3 points

Murdoch: S1-internal, S1-external

Specified Electives - 6 credit points

Select from the Specified Elective Unit List below.

General Electives - 9 credit points

Select from any 200- to 400-level units offered by the University, subject to individual unit prerequisites. Students are advised to consider using General Elective points to meet the requirements of a second major or minor. Any recommended double majors and minors will be included in the major's description.

Year 3 - 21 credit points

Research Skills Unit - 3 credit points

The Research Skills unit to be taken will depend on the student's Primary Major enrolment. Select from the following.

For Primary Major in Social and Developmental Psychology

BSC302 Advanced Quantitative Research Methods - 3 points

MURDOCH: S2-internal

For All Other Primary Majors

BAR300 Advanced Research in the Arts - 3 points

Core Unit - 3 credit points

The following unit is no longer available - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL345 Great Books Past and Present 2 - 3 points
Murdoch: S2-internal, S2-external

Specified Electives - 6 credit points

Select from the Specified Elective Unit List below.

General Electives - 9 credit points

Select from any 200- to 400-level units offered by the University, subject to individual unit prerequisites. Students are advised to consider using General Elective points to meet the requirements of a second major or minor. Any recommended double majors and minors will be included in the major's description.

Specified Elective Unit List

Select Specified Electives from the following units during Years 2 and 3, subject to individual unit prerequisites. At least two units must be at 300 level.

EGL220 Creative Writing: Extended Project - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL233 Telling True Stories - 3 points
Murdoch: S1-internal

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL346 Literary Theory - 3 points
Murdoch: S1-internal, S1-external

EGL232 Professional Writing and Editing - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL230 Popular Literature and Science Fiction - 3 points
Murdoch: S2-internal, S2-external

EGL235 Australian Literature and Film - 3 points
MURDOCH: S2-internal, S2-external

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL344 Sonnet to Song: Understanding Poetry - 3 points
Murdoch: S2-internal, S2-external

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL343 Contemporary Fiction Writing - 3 points
Murdoch: S1-internal, S1-external

The following unit is no longer available at the Murdoch campus - contact the Academic Chair for advice:

EGL348 Shakespeare - 3 points
Murdoch: S2-internal, S2-external

Advanced Research in the Arts (BAR300)

BAR200 Developing Research Skills and Methods.

Australian Literature and Film (EGL235)

Nil.

Creative Writing: Extended Project (EGL220)

Completion of EGL121 or EGL122 or EGL123 or EGL124 or EGL249.

Developing Research Skills and Methods (BAR200)

Nil.

Ideas and Identity (BAR150)

Nil.

Professional Writing and Editing (EGL232)

Nil.

Psychology: Measurement, Design and Analysis (BSC201)

PSY173 Introduction to Psychological Research Methods

PREREQUISITES

Academic Learning Skills (BAR100)

Enrolment in a Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Asian Studies, Bachelor of Communication, Bachelor of Criminology, Bachelor of Media, Bachelor of Digital Media, Bachelor of Legal Studies, Bachelor of Psychology, Bachelor of Theology, or Bachelor of Tourism in Applied Events Management.

Advanced Quantitative Research Methods (BSC302)

BSC201 Psychology: Measurement, Design and Analysis OR
PSY212: Psychology: Measurement, Design and Analysis.

Personal Study Plan

Unit Sets:

Year	Semester 1	Semester 2
1		
2		
3		
4		