Consistent with the overall mission of the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford, the Bachelor of Art degree in Writing includes a liberal arts core curriculum, much of which is taken during the first two years of study.

**Employment Opportunities:**
Arranger  
Creative Director  
Associate Media Director  
Critic  
Patient Relations Specialist  
Author  
Crossword Puzzle Maker  
Playwright  
Biographer  
Editor  
Poet  
Book Reviewer  
Editorial Writer  
Program Proposals Coordinator  
Columnist  
Fact Checker  
Journalist  
Proofreader  
Commentator  
Fundraiser  
Public Relations  
Humorist  
Publications Specialist  
Copy Editor  
Lobbyist  
Publicity Director  
Copywriter  
Sales Service Promoter  
Medical Writer  
Researcher  
Science Writer  
Spokesperson  
Teacher  
Screen Printing Inspector  
Staff Writer  
Technical Writer  
Screenwriter  
Songwriter Novelist  
Story Editor  
Free Lance Writer  
Speech Writer Supervisor

The writing program is designed to give students background for writing in a variety of genres and forms and to help them develop a critical and sensitive use of language for professional and creative application. Students complete a core group of courses before choosing either a creative or a professional concentration. The major includes literature courses that acquaint students with the tradition of writing in English, which serves as a model for their own writing.

Writing majors at Pitt-Bradford take courses in fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction and journalism, literary editing and magazine production, and literature. Students have the opportunity to work on Pitt-Bradford’s award-winning student newspaper, *The Source*, and its literary magazine, *Daily’s Beads*, which has twice been named one of the top 12 student magazines in the United States by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

**Required Skills:**
- Creativity
- Research
- Investigative & Interviewing
- Storytelling
- Self-Discipline
- Organization
- Editing
- Communication (Written & Oral)

**Possible Employers:**
- Advertising Agencies
- Newspapers
- Publishers
- Magazines
- Corporate Communications
- Educational Institutions
- Public Relations Firms
- Law Firm
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### REQUIRED MAJOR COURSES
- ☐ WRTNG 0111 Literary Editing
- ☐ THEA, MUSC or Visual Arts elective
- ☐ WRTNG 1451 Capstone: Writing
- ☐ Foreign Language through and including intermediate level

### REQUIRED ELECTIVES
Take four courses from the following:
- ☐ COMM 0106 News Writing
- ☐ COMM 0108 Newspaper Staff (The Source)
- ☐ WRTNG 0106 Introduction to Fiction Writing
- ☐ WRTNG 0107 Beginning Poetry Writing
- ☐ WRTNG 0108 Intro to Creative Non-Fiction
- ☐ WRTNG 0220 Feature Writing

### REQUIREMENTS IN LITERATURE:
Take ONE course from each group, including at least one UP Level Course. See the Academic Catalog for options.

#### Survey Courses
- ☐

#### 20th-Century Courses
- ☐

#### Genre Courses
- ☐

Select ONE of the following tracks:

### CREATIVE WRITING TRACK REQUIREMENTS
- ☐ THEA 1303 Playwriting: The Structure of Action

Three of the following courses, two at the 1300 level or above:
- ☐

- WRTNG 0211 Literary Editing and Magazine Production 2
- WRTNG 1302 Advanced Fiction Writing
- WRTNG 1304 Advanced Poetry Writing
- WRTNG 1310 Advanced Feature Writing
- WRTNG 1311 Literary Editing and Magazine Production 3
- WRTNG 1402 Writing from the Self
- WRTNG 0250 or 1450 Topics in Writing
- SPAN 1316 Translation Seminar

### PROFESSIONAL WRITING TRACK REQUIREMENTS
- ☐ COMM 0108 Newspaper Staff (The Source)

Three of the following courses, two at the 1300 level or above:
- ☐

- IA 0101 Arts Awareness
- WRTNG 0211 Literary Editing and Magazine Production 2
- COMM 0107 News Editing
- PR 1304 Promotional Writing
- WRTNG 1305 Technical Writing
- WRTNG 1306 Business Writing for the 21st Century
- WRTNG 1310 Advanced Feature Writing
- WRTNG 1311 Literary Editing and Magazine Production 3
- WRTNG 1450 Topics in Writing

☐ MINOR: Writing Majors are required to complete a MINOR in a related area of study approved by their advisor

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According to your Degree Progress Report in MY.PITT.EDU upon successful completion of the current term:
- You will have EARNED _________ credit hours
- You NEED _________ for 120 credit hours required for graduation.
- You will have earned _________ credit hours of Upper Level course work
- You NEED _________ for the 30 credit hours required for graduation.

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