FAQs

What are the requirements for each term?
Each student must enroll in one LSWA course per term, participate in one LSWA club of choice (1 hr/week), attend three community meetings per semester, and submit a minimum of three creative works of choice (any medium) in the Fall term.

How do I apply to LSWA?
The MLC Application opens in early January 2020. The link is on our website, www.lsa.umich.edu/lswa and on the Housing website, www.housing.umich.edu

How is LSWA different from the RC?
- LSWA has no foreign language requirement
- LSWA is a 1st-year program w/ optional 2nd year
- RC is a four-year commitment
- RC only admits LSA students; LSWA admits students from any school (CoE, A&D, SMTD, etc...)

Can I be a member of LSWA and Honors?
Yes, but you will not be in the Honors residential program; as an LSWA student, you must live in a designated LSWA space in Alice Lloyd Hall and can take Honors courses.

Do I have to live in Alice Lloyd Hall to be in LSWA?
Yes, you will live in an LSWA-designated space on a floor mixed with LSWA and non-LSWA students. ALH is recently renovated and contains single and double rooms, modern study spaces, an art studio, a dance studio, a Sweetland Writing Center satellite office, and more!

I enjoy writing, but I don’t have any artistic talent (or vice-versa). Can I still apply to LSWA?
Yes! We admit students with interests and/or strengths in either area and all genres. Examples include writing, film, photography, art, theater, music, dance, etc.

How will I benefit from LSWA?
LSWA courses will fulfill the FYWR with options for CE/RE. You may develop close relationships with professors and peers, explore and expand your creative potential, meet professional writers/artists, be published in the LSWA journal, and be connected to unique campus opportunities, and much more! Your home on campus will be a community of students with diverse talents, backgrounds, experiences, perspectives, and ideas, but who also share a love of writing and the arts. Together, and with the support of a dedicated team of Student Leaders and staff, you’ll create a warm and close-knit community where everyone feels that they belong.

Questions?
Please contact lswa@umich.edu or visit our website, www.lsa.umich.edu/lswa for more information!