The Creative Writing and Literature Major in the Residential College is open to ALL students who are pursuing a degree in the College of Literature, Science, & Arts. This major allows students to write fiction, poetry, or creative nonfiction under the close guidance of individual faculty. The program’s self-directed, intensive writing seminars and one-on-one tutorial sessions provide faculty mentorship for students at all levels of writing proficiency. Majors also study the art of writing by reading literature.

RC Creative Writing graduates pursue successful careers as writers, editors, educators, advertising professionals, and many other writing related-fields. Every year our graduates are also admitted to competitive graduate school programs in the fine arts (MFA), education, law, business, public policy, social work, and other paths of professional study that demand proficient writing skills and creative approaches to problem solving.

Our program offers:

- One-on-one tutorials
- Courses offered in fiction, poetry, creative nonfiction, and journalism
- Close faculty mentoring of students at all levels of study
- The RC Review, a student-run literary journal

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