

MASTER OF ARTS IN PROFESSIONAL WRITING (M.A.)

Purpose

The Master of Arts in Professional Writing is a 36-hour, graduate-level degree offered through Liberty University Online. This program is designed for those who wish to acquire specific skill sets associated with effective written communication in order that they may serve as writers and or instructors of writing with their respective organizations. The latter prepares the student to become a professional writer/editor or a teacher of written discourse primarily at the post-secondary level, but also in private and charter K-12 schools that do not require state-certified credentials.

Program Learning Outcomes

The student will be able to:

- Write in a professional and scholarly manner.
- Evaluate the literature of professional writing to reflect sound understanding of the literature of the field.
- Produce in-depth research using appropriate scholarly methods and resources.
- Evaluate the relationships between written texts and their contexts.
- Analyze the discourse of professional writing through a Christian worldview.

Program Specific Admission Procedures

In addition to the general admission requirements, specific admission procedures to the M.A. in Professional Writing are as follows:

1. Earned baccalaureate degree or its equivalent from an institution accredited by the University.
2. Applicants should hold a cumulative GPA of 3.00 on a scale of 4.00 for undergraduate study. Applicants who hold a cumulative undergraduate GPA of 2.50 to 2.99 on a 4.00 scale may be eligible for admission on Academic Caution.
3. Applicants must submit a 300- to 500-word statement as to why they want to pursue a M.A. in Professional Writing at Liberty University.
4. TOEFL (if applicable)

Transfer Credit

Students may transfer up to 18 credit hours from an accredited institution subject to department approval. In order to transfer credit, students must have earned the minimum grade of B-; and courses must have been completed within 10 years of the start date of the program. Credits from a prior degree on the same academic level earned through Liberty University are considered transfer credits.

Program of Study

Delivery Format: Online Only

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Career Opportunities

- Grant Writer
- College Professor
- Secondary Education Teacher
- Publisher
- Speech Writer