



THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME AUSTRALIA

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Graduate Diploma of Writing

Grad Dip (Writing)

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2 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these requirements will be made in accordance with the General Regulations.

Version	Date Amended	Amendment Details	Approved by
1	July 2022	New exit program created	NHOS
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3 PURPOSE

These Program Requirements set out the approved requirements for the Graduate Diploma of Writing.

4 OVERVIEW

4.1 Campus Availability

The Graduate Diploma of Writing has been approved for delivery on the Sydney Campus.

4.2 Student Availability

The Graduate Diploma of Writing is available for enrolment to domestic Students.

4.3 Australian Qualifications Framework

The Graduate Diploma of Writing is accredited by the University as a Level 8 qualification.

4.4 Duration

The Volume of Learning for the Graduate Diploma of Writing is one (1) year of equivalent full-time study.

An option to complete this Program Part-time is available.

4.5 Maximum Duration

The maximum period of time within which a student is permitted to complete the Graduate Diploma of Writing Award is four (4) years (including any periods of approved leave of absence) from the date on which they were first enrolled into the program by the University.

4.6 Study Mode

The Graduate Diploma of Writing is offered in Internal Study Mode.

4.7 Professional Accreditation

There are no professional accreditation requirements applicable to this Program.

5 ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5.1 University Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to The University of Notre Dame Australia, all applicants must meet the [University's minimum requirements for admission](#). The requirements for admission are detailed in the University's Policy: *Admissions*.

5.2 Specific Program Requirements for Admission

To be eligible for admission to the [name of program] applicants must also meet the following specific requirements.

- 5.2.1 Bachelor degree in Writing, English, Journalism, Media and Communications or other cognate field.

6 PRACTICUM OR INTERNSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 6.1 There are not practicum requirements for this award.

7 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

7.1 Program Description

Through the Graduate Diploma of Writing, students acquire advanced creative and critical skills across a variety of writing genres, from fiction and nonfiction writing to screenwriting, journalism, and public relations writing, as well as developing expertise in publishing and editing.

7.2 Program Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of the [name of program] graduates will be able to:

1. Write to an industry standard across a variety of forms and genres
2. Communicate complex information, work, or ideas to a range of audiences using appropriate conventions
3. Analyse their own work and that of others, acquiring skills in professional editing
4. Solve complex problems related to the construction and interpretation of written texts
5. Analyse social, cultural, commercial, and ethical issues in the field of writing and apply local and international perspectives to extend their writing practice.

7.3 Required Courses

To be eligible for the award of Graduate Diploma of Writing students must complete a minimum of 200 Units of Credit chosen from the courses listed in Appendix A, this includes the following required and elective courses:

- 50 Units of Credit from required courses, WRIT6000 Reading and Writing & PHIL6020 Ethical issues in Professional Life.
- 150 Units of Credit from six (6) elective courses listed in Appendix A.

7.4 Course substitutions

Course substitutions, where permitted, must be approved by Head of School or delegate

8 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of these Requirements, the following definitions are available in the General Regulations.

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| • Leave of Absence | • Pre-requisite Course | • Co-requisite Course |
| • Major | • Minor | • Specialisation |
| • Units of Credit | • Elective | • General Elective |

9 Appendix A: Program Plan

Graduate Diploma in Writing	Units of Credit
Required Courses	50
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WRIT6000 Reading and Writing• PHIL6020 Ethical issues in Professional Life.	
Elective Courses	150
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• WRIT6001 Freelance Writing• WRIT6002 Corporate Writing• WRIT6003 Fiction Writing• WRIT6004 Creative Non Fiction Writing• WRIT6005 Playwriting• WIRT6006 Advanced Screenwriting• WRIT6007 Editing and Publishing in the Digital Age	
Total Units of Credit	200