Offered by the Frank N. Magid Center for Undergraduate Writing and the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences, the Certificate in Writing can be completed entirely ONLINE. The program provides an opportunity for our distance students to take advantage of the University of Iowa’s impressive culture of writing.

The ONLINE Certificate in Writing requires a student to successfully complete 21-23 s.h. and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA in all course work.

**Required Introductory Course (2 s.h.):**
WRIT:1500 Writing Commons: A Community of Writers

**Required Core Courses (9 s.h.):**
- CLSA:3742 Word Power: Building English Vocabulary
- CW:4745 The Sentence: Strategies for Writing
- CW:4760 The Art of Revision: Writing for Clarity

**Focused Electives (9 s.h.) must include courses from each category:**
- **Writing for the Professions:**
  - INTD:3005 Professional and Creative Business Communication
  - EALL:4130 Introduction to Grant Writing
- **Writing and the Literary Arts:**
  - CW:2100 Creative Writing
  - CW:2870 Fiction Writing
  - CW:3870 Advanced Fiction Writing
  - THTR:2301 Playwriting I
  - THTR:3301 Playwriting II

**Required Capstone (1-3 s.h.):**
WRIT:4000 Writing: Independent Project, click [here](#) for more information.

**HOW TO DECLARE THE CERTIFICATE**

Current BAS/BLS University of Iowa students may add the certificate to their plan of study by contacting their assigned BAS/BLS Advisor.

Students may add a certificate program to their plan of study at any time. Once added, a separate degree audit will be produced. There is no penalty to remove a certificate from a plan of study and one may be removed at any time.