Produce creative projects using print and digital media—and expand your ability to communicate effectively with a wide variety of audiences.

The Certificate in Writing and Editing complements any major while giving you hands-on experience producing and publishing texts. You will have opportunities to practice a variety of kinds of writing and to experiment with new and emerging forms.

Program Snapshot

Program type: Certificates/Programs - Undergraduate
Format: On-campus
Est. time to complete: 2 years
Credit hours: 18

Why Study Writing & Editing at UND?

In the digital age, the ability to write effectively for a range of media platforms and audiences is more important than ever.

Today’s employers look for employees who can communicate articulately and professionally. This certificate prepares you to write for a range of careers, while learning more about what makes writing effective.

Classes in the certificate offer active, collaborative learning and innovative projects. You will have opportunities to design quality websites and to build online digital collections for public use.

You receive individualized attention as you develop the following:

◆ Strong written communication skills
◆ The ability to consider audience, purpose, medium, and form when producing text
◆ An understanding of how information is used in our culture, both in print and electronic media

Writing and Editing Overview

◆ Take classes that highlight active, collaborative learning
◆ Gain hands-on experience producing and publishing texts
◆ Develop creative thinking skills
◆ Improve your written communication skills
◆ Learn to assess and design quality websites
◆ Build online digital collections for public use

Writing and Editing Careers

61K Median annual salary for writer and authors.*
8% Projected job growth for writers and authors through 2026.*

*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics
Communication is an essential tool no matter what career path you pursue. Being able to express your message across the digital landscape and the print world is a transferable skill to a broad range of professions. You'll be in high demand by employers by developing strong writing skills with the ability to think critically.

A certificate in Writing & Editing from UND develops professional communication suitable for a variety of careers, including:

- Publisher
- Journalist
- Public relations specialist
- Attorney
- Technical writer
- Social media manager
- Digital marketer