

# Writing and literature



Burwood (Melbourne), Geelong (Waurin Ponds),  
Cloud (online)

Bring your interest in literature and writing together, as you read and critically explore some of the world's most exciting writers.

Our author-academics will help you develop a rich understanding of a diverse range of writers, forms and genres, which in turn will enhance your writing and editing of poetry, fiction and creative non-fiction.

## Creative writing

Engage in practice ranging from narrative-driven works to new takes on traditional genres, to poetry, to experimental non-fiction. In addition, you'll be supported to identify and pursue opportunities for writing and editing in new media or games; and learn how to manage the business of writing.

Work on studio projects to develop and extend your style and craft and undertake creative research, producing professional publications for web and print before you graduate.

## Children's literature

Discover why children read, what you can write for them, and why that matters with a major in children's literature. Deakin is the only university in Australia to offer children's literature as an area of study at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. The program explores the major trends in children's texts across a range of media, expanding and enhancing your skills in the analysis of children's literature, equipping you with skills in writing for young people, librarianship, and education, among other options.

## Literary studies

Gain new understandings of cultures and histories and how they are depicted as you explore a range of literary genres, including fantasy, poetry, fiction, and creative non-fiction. You will be guided in critical and creative journeys through works by Shakespeare, major aesthetic movements like modernism, Australian literature, history of the book, and literatures that engage with crucial contemporary issues. Literary studies prepares you to think critically and creatively, and become a high-level communicator.

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# Choose your course



## Bachelor of Creative Writing

**Course Code:** A316  
**Location:** Burwood (Melbourne), Waurn Ponds (Geelong), Cloud (online)  
**Intakes:** T1 (March), T2 (July), T3\* (November)  
**Duration:** 3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

Under the guidance of staff who are published authors themselves, you'll study the craft of writing, the art of storytelling and the process of editing and revision. You'll benefit from unique opportunities to gain industry experience, work on studio projects, conduct creative research and write for professional digital and print publications.

Collaborate and improve your skills by working with peers in interdisciplinary teams, writing for film, drama, TV and other new technologies. You'll gain insight into how creative teams work together and in developing stories for new media and across genres.

Benefit from access to internships in magazine and book publishing houses, as well as within broadcast and print media, helping you to develop important industry connections and drive your creative practice forward. We also encourage you to submit your work to or gain editorial experience in Deakin's international writing journal, *Verandah*.

### Careers

Graduate with the practical skills to work with interdisciplinary teams in writing, film, drama and new technologies. You may find work as a published author, book editor, copywriter, journalist, scriptwriter, publisher, magazine writer.

### Course structure\*



\*T3 intake not available at Waurn Ponds Campus

## Bachelor of Arts (Literary studies/Children's literature/ Creative writing)

**Course Code:** A300  
**Location:** Burwood (Melbourne), Waurn Ponds (Geelong), Cloud (online)  
**Intakes:** T1 (March), T2 (July), T3 (November)  
**Duration:** 3 years full-time or part-time equivalent

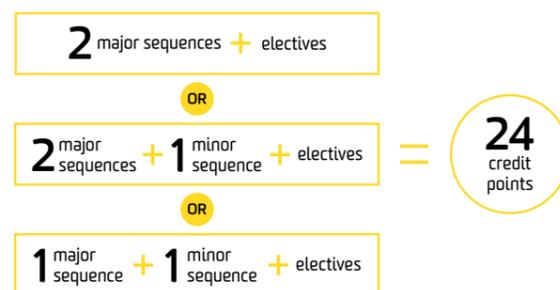
Deakin's Bachelor of Arts offers enormous flexibility, allowing you to keep your career options open and design your course around your interests, for maximum employability.

Throughout your studies, you are supported to develop an imaginative understanding and appreciation of theory and practice ensuring you develop professional skills in critical analysis and systematic thinking. You will become an expert at managing knowledge and communicating information ensuring you are well placed to enter a variety of employment fields with current industry knowledge.

### Careers

Graduate with transferable career skills making you highly employable within a wide range of industries. Our graduates have found careers in advertising agencies, the education sector, freelance writing, government departments, libraries, market research companies, public relations agencies and publishing companies.

### Course structure\*



\*Students must also complete a compulsory 0-credit-point academic integrity unit (AAI018)



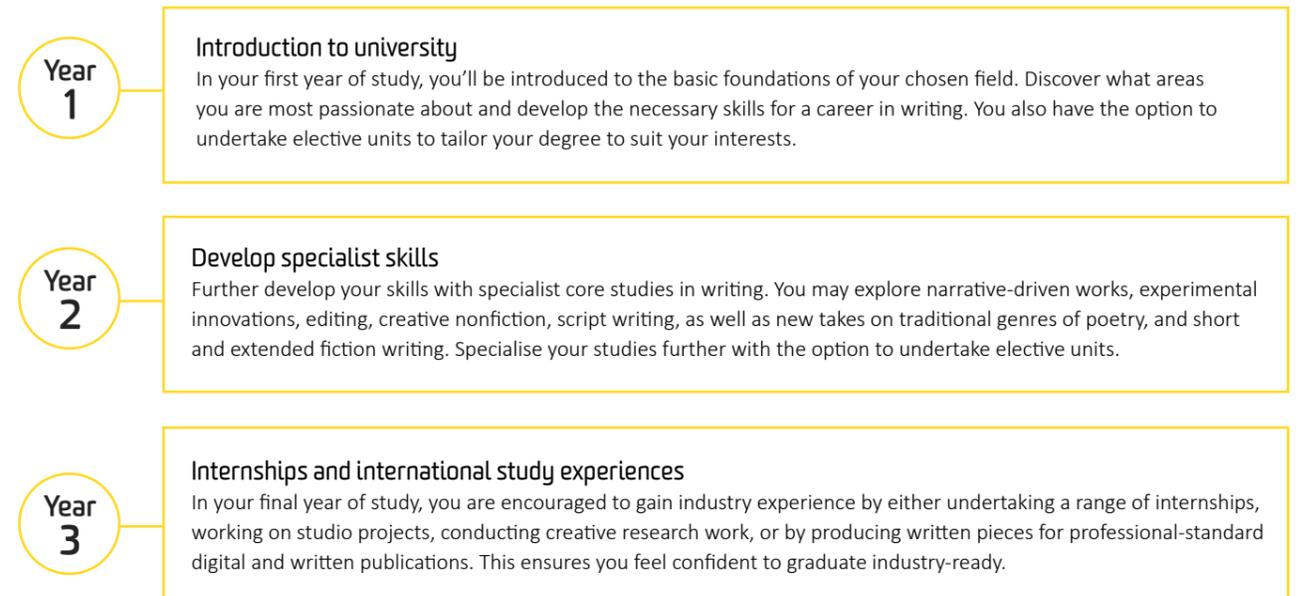
## Broaden your thinking

Great literature explores the world and how it's changing. That's why our **Gender and sexuality studies major** is the perfect complement to your degree. The major, which is offered across all writing and literature courses, invites you to examine and explore this fundamental element of human identity and experience, which could in turn enrich your writing.

Find out more by visiting the **Gender and sexuality studies research network**.

## What will I study?

Indicative course overview for writing and literature students\*



\*Information is indicative only. Refer to the University Handbook for a complete course map.

'Deakin has a student run and published literary journal called *Verandah* which I have been lucky enough to submit to and be published. In doing this, I have been able to expose myself to industry settings and understand the processes of publication that will help me well into the future.'

Maddie Brake  
Bachelor of Arts (Literary Studies and Creative Writing)



## Hands-on experience

Learn with passionate industry specialists who are published authors. You may even see your work published before graduating with unique opportunities to gain industry experience, work on studio projects, conduct creative research work and produce content for professional-standard digital and written publications.

Deakin's Work Integrated Learning team also offer support for professional internships and study tour opportunities, ensuring you gain the industry connections to take your creative practice to the next level.

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## Applying to Deakin

### Apply through VTAC

Current year 12 students can apply through VTAC: [vtac.edu.au](https://vtac.edu.au)

### Apply direct to Deakin

All other applications can be submitted directly to the university: [deakin.edu.au/apply](https://deakin.edu.au/apply)

**APPLY NOW**

## We're here to help

Deakin is here to support you. From your application through to graduation, we offer many support services to ensure you feel confident throughout your studies:

- **Study support**
- **Career services**
- **Online study experience**
- **Fees and scholarships**
- **Health and wellbeing**

### Pathways into Deakin

Use the pathways finder tool to discover how to get into your dream course when you don't quite meet the entry requirements: [deakin.edu.au/pathways](https://deakin.edu.au/pathways)