



UPPER YEAR CREATIVE WRITING PORTFOLIO GUIDELINES

Applicants are expected to demonstrate their creative writing ability and potential through a comprehensive and polished portfolio. This portfolio may include digital formats*, audio, and video files and should consist of **one or more of the following**:

- Up to 5 pages or equivalent of poetry, spoken word, and/or hip hop
- Up to 10 pages prose (fiction, creative nonfiction)
- Up to 5 pages or equivalent hybrid or experimental form or video performance (15 mins)
- Up to 15 pages or equivalent (total) in more than one genre

*Digital formats can include web pages, interactive fiction or animated text etc.

Statement of Intent should outline your relevant academic and/or professional experience, how your writing interests align with the program, as well as any record of recent publications, awards, or participation in writing workshops, slams, recordings, or performances.

If you are being considered for **Year 2**, you must have the equivalent of one year of study at OCAD U. If you believe you are eligible for **Year 3**, you must have the equivalent of two years of study at OCAD U. Your portfolio should showcase specific knowledge and experience in your chosen program, demonstrating maturity in ideas and development, as well as proficiency in presenting them.