

Dear soon-to-be CW&P-er,

Welcome!

...to the beginning of your degree, and to our unique Creative Writing & Publishing programming. We are very excited to meet you in person and get started on our work together, and we wanted to take a moment to advise you of a few key things before the semester begins on September 6, 2022. Please read this letter carefully, as it includes important dates and information.

This year, we are set to return to our physical home on the Hazel McCallion (HMC) campus at full program capacity for the Fall 2022 semester. This means that — unless an *n*th-wave is declared in the next few weeks and we need to recalibrate — you will be scheduled to have all program classes in person and on campus. For you, this means that this semester you will take:

CWRT15389GD: Introduction to Creative Writing

COMM15098: Professional Writing & Copy Editing

PUBL14350: Fundamentals of Publishing

A 1000-level literature elective

A Breadth course (available in both face-to-face and online formats. [Check this page](#) to see what courses are being offered for the Fall 2022 semester)

****IMPORTANT ACTION REQUIRED! Registration opens on Friday, August 12th****

CW&P runs on an “Assigned Timetable.” In Sheridan-speak, this means that your core classes will always be scheduled for you, but that you will still have to choose your electives each semester. Before your first semester you will have to choose one BREADTH course and one LITERATURE ELECTIVE to fill out your timetable. These courses fill up on a first-come, first-served basis, and they will be available for registration through your [MyStudentCentre portal on Sheridan Central](#) **starting at 7:00am on Friday, August 12, 2022**. All new incoming students will receive an email prior to the release date of timetables directing them to [myOTR Online](#) for step-by-step instructions on how to select these classes and other [start-of-term business](#).

Please note: You should be able to preview your timetable as of August 9, and **registration itself opens at 7:00am on August 12, 2022**.

On Campus (in person) New Student Orientation/Meet-and-Greet is August 31, 2022, 3:30-4:30pm

At this event you'll be able to say hello to a few members of the faculty team, get some swag, meet your peer mentors and one another, discover campus and important Sheridan services. More information should be coming from the Sheridan Student Success team. However, there will be limited information about your actual courses and program at this event. For that information, please attend the...

CW&P Program Orientation (online) on Thursday, September 1, 2022, 1:00-3:00pm

We highly recommend that you attend this virtual event in order to familiarize yourself with all aspects of the program you will be pursuing for the next four years.

What: [Sheridan New Student Orientation and Creative Writing & Publishing Program Orientation](#)

Where: Online, via Hopin. Login info to be circulated closer to the event

When: Sept. 1, 2022, 1:00am-3:00pm

But, before you join us for orientation, make sure to sign into **SLATE**, Sheridan's Learning and Teaching Environment (accessible at the top right-hand corner of the Sheridan homepage under “Login,” or click the link below) in order to...

Join the Creative Writing and Publishing Virtual Community (VC)

This resource should be available to you as of right now; it will be able to answer several of your questions and should provide you with an overview of your upcoming program, introduce you to your faculty and first-semester courses, and guide you through the process of selecting your BREADTH and LITERATURE electives for the Fall 2022 semester.

To join the VC:

→Using your Sheridan username and password, [sign into SLATE \(under “Login,” top right corner\)](#)

- Under the “Search Courses” grid icon in the top toolbar, search “Creative Writing and Publishing Orientation”
- Select 408367 VC – Creative Writing and Publishing Orientation to find the VC homepage

Mobile Program

Our program is officially “mobile,” which — again, in Sheridan-speak — means that you will be expected to have, bring, and use your own device (laptop, tablet, etc.) to access your orientation, administration, and course materials on a daily basis, even for in-person classes on campus. You don’t need any special software or computing capacity at this stage—as long as you have a word processor, can get onto SLATE, download and upload documents, you’re good to go.

Already have some undergraduate experience?

If you think you might qualify for [Advanced Standing](#) based on your existing undergraduate transcripts, please check out the link above to find out how to get a head start on your credits towards your degree in CW&P. Feel free to send me an email if you have any questions about the process as you work your way through it.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and be sure to contact us with any questions that are not answered for you in this letter, your pre-Orientation communications with Sheridan, or the VC.

In eager anticipation,

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