

Creative Writing Short Stories

About the course

This course is a part of our Creative Writing & Drama learning programmes aimed to enable you to unlock your creativity with written words, acting and stagecraft.

The focus of this course will be on developing skills in writing short stories. Upon completion of this course, learners will be able to write an original short story. This lesson will serve to develop learners creative writing skills and display experience writing creatively in the medium of the short story.

**If you are unemployed, looking for work, and are in receipt of a means tested benefit, you do not have to pay the course fees. You will need to sign a self-declaration form stating that you are looking for a job and provide supporting evidence.*

**If you are in low paid employment and you earn less than £10.85p/h or £21,157.59 annual gross salary, you do not have to pay the course fees. You will need to provide proof of income, for example, this could be a wage slip within 3 months of the course start date, or a current employment contract, which states gross monthly/annual wages.*

What will I learn?

After this course you will be able to:

- Discuss and analyse a short story, as well as recognize key elements of a short story
- Define and explain the characteristics of short stories and narratives
- Generate, write, draft, edit and developed an original short story

What are the entry requirements?

- This course is for beginners with some or no previous experience as well as for those who have taken creative writing courses before and are now looking to further improve their writing skills.

- We use Google Suite for Education to record your learning journey. If you are a new learner with us, we will create an account for you. Details will be sent to your personal email so please check your inbox and spam regularly prior to course start.
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What do I need to bring with me?

- A piece of paper and a pen to take notes
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How will my learning be assessed?

This is a non-accredited course with the intent to benefit lifelong learning. Your tutor will give you regular verbal and written feedback to support your progression. You will submit your course work and track your learning in Google Classroom. You will participate in group discussions and receive guidance.

To successfully complete the course your attendance should be a minimum of 85% and course work should be completed by the end of the course. **Please note that the first session is an induction to the course and the centre, so it is therefore essential that you attend.** If you for any reason are unable to attend, please let us know and ensure that you read through the induction slides located in your Google Classroom and complete any related tasks.

What can I do after completing this course?

- The most obvious progression pathway after this course is **Creative Writing Poetry** or other courses which are part of our Creative Writing & Drama Learning Programmes. However, your tutor will give you a more specific advice on what you could do next at the end of the course based on your personal circumstances.
 - You can call us to find out about upcoming courses on 020 8583 6000
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Information, advice and guidance for employment

- Call 020 8583 6174 to speak to an advisor
 - Email work@hounslow.gov.uk
 - Visit <http://www.hace.ac.uk/employment-support>
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