

North Toronto Collegiate Institute
Writer's Craft (EWC 4U1)
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Course Overview

Welcome to Writer's Craft. This senior elective English course aims to expand your imagination, and guide you to explore your creative self. It will refine your abilities to write in many different genres, including memoirs, narratives, articles, screenplays, and poetry. You will learn about potential futures in the fields of freelance writing, journalism, and film.

You must come to class (when in school) prepared with **a laptop or padlet**, a **writer's notebook** (journal), a binder (divided into two categories - coursework and response to literature), and a good pen.

The curriculum has been divided into the following units.

UNIT	INVESTIGATING WRITER'S CRAFT	PRACTICING WRITER'S CRAFT
Intro to Creativity and the Writer's Workshop	Responding to readings on creativity Discussions	Sensory Pieces Discussion Postings
The Personal Storyteller	Close Reading Forum (1) (2) Discussions	Personal Storytelling Discussion Postings
The Short Fiction Writer	Close Reading Forum (3) Workshopping student writing Discussions	Short Story Writing – a TCTE short story
The Screenwriter	Editing student writing Discussions	CHOICE: Film Sequence, Sketch Comedy Trio
The Journalist/ Freelance Writer	Responding to Writing Discussions	<i>Graffiti</i> Feature Article Writing Discussions Postings
The Writer's Workshop	Workshopping Student Writing	Sharing and Revising Creative Writing
The Poet	Conversations with a poet Discussions	Poetry Slam + Anthology Discussion Postings
Your Magnum Opus	Reflecting on your writing	Sharing your Creative Depiction

You will be evaluated throughout the course in several different ways, and the weighting of the various types of evaluation will be as follows:

Investigating Writer's Craft:	35%
Practicing Writer's Craft:	45%
The Magnum Opus (CT):	20%

Have a terrific year!