

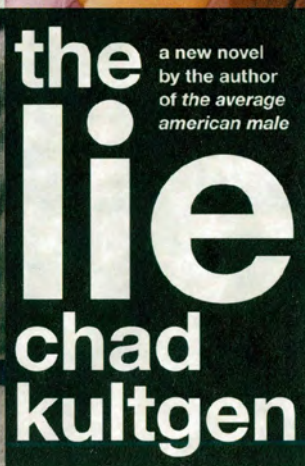
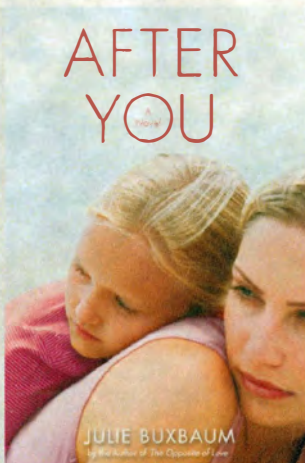
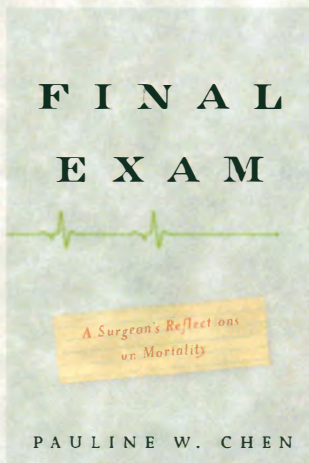
UCLA Extension

Writers' Program

Certificates in Creative Writing

Emphasis in Fiction

Emphasis in Creative Nonfiction



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Why a Certificate?

For UCLA Extension students who prefer a structured course of study, the Certificate in Creative Writing: Emphasis in Fiction and the Certificate in Creative Writing: Emphasis in Creative Nonfiction are designed to provide perspective, knowledge, and training in dynamic writing fields. The breadth and depth of the coordinated, sequential offerings allow certificate students to select courses keyed to their interests, define or further career goals, discover or develop their potential for professional pursuits, and acquire necessary skills. Certificate students receive ongoing professional evaluation and are eligible for perks such as a full-scale manuscript consultation.

Learn from Professionals

The UCLA Extension Writers' Program's 150 creative writing instructors are published writers and active professionals recognized for their leadership and achievement. They have collaborated with the Writers' Program to design a curriculum aimed at achieving results and developing a deep knowledge of craft and the writing process.

Benefits of Candidacy

Advanced Notice of Upcoming Courses

Each quarter, certificate students receive advanced notice of upcoming Writers' Program courses they are eligible to enroll in before the general public.

Free Manuscript Consultation

Candidates who have completed their coursework are entitled to work one-on-one with a writing instructor on a final project. The evaluation (a value of up to \$1500), includes the reading of one manuscript (300-page maximum) by a Writers' Program instructor, 4-8 pages of notes, and a 1½ hour phone or in-person meeting.

Access to Advisors

Writers' Program advisors provide individualized guidance to certificate students throughout their course of study, by phone or in-person.

Graduation

Candidates who complete all the program requirements are awarded a certificate bearing the gold seal of UCLA and are honored at a UCLA Extension-wide ceremony on the UCLA campus at Royce Hall.

The Curriculum

The certificate curriculum offers opportunities to study broadly in fiction or creative nonfiction and to take complementary courses in the areas of poetry, playwriting, publishing and writing for the youth market. New courses are developed and added to the curriculum continually to meet the needs and interests of students.

To fulfill requirements for either certificate, students must complete a total of 36 units from the Creative Writing section of the Writers' Program offerings and must receive a grade of C or better in each course. Courses may be taken onsite or online for both certificates.

Certificate in Creative Writing: Emphasis in Fiction

Consists of 21 core units including six units of beginning level fiction, twelve units of intermediate level fiction, and three units of advanced level fiction. Additionally, there are 15 units of electives which can be taken in the areas of nonfiction, poetry, playwriting, publishing and writing for the youth market.

Certificate in Creative Writing: Emphasis in Creative Nonfiction

Consists of 21 core units including six units of beginning level nonfiction, twelve units of intermediate level nonfiction, and three units of advanced level nonfiction. Additionally, there are 15 units of electives which can be taken in the areas of fiction, poetry, playwriting, publishing and writing for the youth market.

Certificate Fees

The certificate enrollment fee for either certificate is \$200 and is nonrefundable. Once paid, the fee is good for 3 years (renewable at \$50/year). The total cost of the certificate including enrollment fees for each course as well as materials, is approximately \$6300.

UCLA Extension Writers' Program

As the largest and most comprehensive continuing education writing program in the nation, the UCLA Extension Writers' Program features 530 annual open-enrollment courses onsite and online in novel writing, short fiction, personal essay, memoir, poetry, playwriting, writing for the youth market, publishing, feature film writing, and television writing, and is designed to accommodate individual writing needs, ambitions, and lifestyles.

Special programs and services include certificate programs in fiction, creative nonfiction, feature film writing, and television writing; a four-day Writers Studio; master classes in novel writing, feature film writing and television pilot writing; online mentorship programs; one-on-one script and manuscript consultation services; literary and screenplay competitions; knowledgeable and friendly advisors; and free public events such as the Writers Faire and Publication Party.

About UCLA Extension

UCLA Extension is the continuing education division of the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). We offer courses evenings and weekends in Westwood and Downtown LA, plus online classes available around the globe. Courses range from business, arts, engineering, and IT to entertainment studies, public policy, public health, the humanities and more. Explore UCLA Extension at: uclaextension.edu.

Work by former Writers' Program students: *Final Exam* by Pauline W. Chen; *After You* by Julie Buxbaum; *Driving with Dead People* by Monica Holloway; *The Lie* by Chad Kultgen.