Master of Arts in Creative Writing

These regulations must be read in conjunction with the Academic Regulations (Taught Courses). These regulations are available online via the Open University 'Student Policies and Regulations' website at https://help.open.ac.uk/documents/policies.

Short title
MA Creative Writing

Award letters
MA (CW) (Open)

Entry requirements
An Honours degree conferred by a UK university or other recognised degree-awarding body, an equivalent qualification. The subject content of your first degree must be acceptable to the Faculty Teaching Committee.

Maximum duration of study
10 years

Credit requirement
180 credits from the 60-credit Part 1 module and the 120-credit Part 2 module.

Maximum transferred credit
60 credits against Part 1 of the qualification only

Maximum age of credit transfer
8 years

Unique study requirement
60 credits

Classification
Distinction: a minimum of 90 module credits at Distinction grade
Merit: a minimum of 90 module credits at Merit grade

Additional rules
The classification scheme for this qualification was amended in July 2021.

The topic of your dissertation within the 120-credit Part 2 module must be appropriate to the subject matter of the taught Part 1 module and approved by your tutor.
You must comply with the dissertation word length. You may be required to attend a viva voce (oral) examination on your dissertation.

The dissertation will be submitted to examiners appointed by Senate. It may be found to be

a) Pass with distinction
b) Pass with merit
c) Pass
d) Pending – but with permission for you to re-submit (only one resubmission permitted)
e) Fail – with permission for you to re-register for the MA Creative Writing Part 2 module.