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   * Three courses in writing practice
   * Two courses in theory of composition, rhetoric or criticism
   * One internship/practicum course
   * Two English literature courses
2. Pass a grammar and style exam
3. Optional—Assemble a clipbook of writing samples and published articles
4. Optional—Publish an e-portfolio of your resume and written works

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   * Two courses in theory of composition, rhetoric or criticism
   * One English literature course
2. Pass a grammar and style exam

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