

Dear incoming Creative Writing & Publishing student,

Welcome!

...to the beginning of your degree, and to the inaugural semester of Sheridan's new [Honours Bachelor of Creative Writing & Publishing](#). We are very excited to meet you in person and get started on our work together, and we wanted to take a moment to advise you of a few key things before the semester begins in September.

Orientation is August 31, 2017

We highly recommend that you attend this afternoon event in order to familiarize yourself with the school, the campus, and all aspects of the program you will be pursuing for the next four years.

What: [Sheridan New Student Orientation](#) and Creative Writing & Publishing Program

Orientation

Where: **Sheridan's Hazel McCallion Campus (HMC)**, 4180 Duke of York Blvd. Mississauga, ON.

Campus maps and schedules to be provided upon arrival.

When: **August 31, 2017, 12:00-4:00pm**

12:00-1:00pm — Free Lunch and Marketplace

1:00-2:30pm — Sheridan New Student Orientation

2:30-4:00pm — Creative Writing & Publishing Program Orientation

But, before you join us at the end of August, make sure to sign into **SLATE**, Sheridan's Learning and Teaching Environment (accessible at the top right-hand corner of the Sheridan homepage, or click the link below) in order to...

Join the Creative Writing and Publishing Virtual Community (VC)

This resource will be able to answer several of your questions and should provide you with an overview of your upcoming program, introduce you to your faculty and first-semester courses, and guide you through the process of selecting your BREADTH and LITERATURE electives for the Fall 2017 semester.

To join the VC:

→ Using your Sheridan username and password, [sign into SLATE](#)

→ Under [My Courses](#), search "Creative Writing and Publishing Orientation"

→ Select [408367 VC – Creative Writing and Publishing Orientation](#) to find the VC

homepage

****IMPORTANT ACTION REQUIRED: August 15th****

The Creative Writing & Publishing program features one BREADTH course and one LITERATURE ELECTIVE in the first semester, for which you will need to register your selections prior to the start of the term. These courses will fill up on a first-come, first-served basis, and they will be available for registration through [AccessSheridan](#) **starting on August 15, 2017**. All new incoming students will receive an email prior to the release date of timetables directing them to [myOTR Online](#) for step-by-step instructions on how to select these classes. You can also get information and links via the Creative Writing & Publishing VC about how to enroll in these courses.

Mobile Program

Our program is officially [Mobile](#), which means that you will be expected to have, bring, and use your own device (laptop, tablet, etc.) to access your orientation, administration, and course materials on a daily basis. Please note that the Mobile Computing fee associated with Sheridan's Mobile programs has been waived for incoming Creative Writing & Publishing students in this inaugural year, but it will be reinstated (and added to tuition costs) effective September 2018.

Already have some undergraduate experience?

If you think you might qualify for [Advanced Standing](#) based on your existing undergraduate transcripts, please check the VC for dates and times to sit down with us (on **Aug. 10th, 11th, or 15th 2017**), and determine any potential [transfer credits](#) you may have. You can also peruse the information on the Registrar's [myPathways](#) page to get started with this process.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and be sure to contact us with any questions that are not answered for you in this letter, your pre-Orientation communications with Sheridan, or the VC.

In anticipation,

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