Portfolio Information for the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Writing (ADWR)

Portfolio Description
The portfolio for the Graduate Certificate in Advanced Writing (ADWR) includes the following: A title page and a signature page A table of contents page A 1200–2000 word retrospective of your work for the ADWR certificate** One example of your writing from each course in your ADWR plan of study All materials gathered into a one-inch, hardboard, three-ring binder—two copies.

Presentation
The presentation format is informal in order to encourage the student to reflect on his or her growth as a writer and to celebrate the student’s achievements as a writer. Contact your advisor early in the semester you expect to graduate from the ADWR to set up a schedule for submitting and presenting your portfolio. Program directors will assign you a Portfolio Director. The portfolio is presented to the student’s Portfolio Director and one other member of the ADWR faculty.

Approximate Due Dates
The portfolio is due approximately one month before the end of the last semester of the student’s ADWR program:

- November 15
- April 1
- July 15

**The retrospective should contain at least seven sections. The first section should describe your interest in writing. Write one section for each of the five courses you took in earning the ADWR certificate. In each of these sections, identify the course and describe the progress you made with your writing while in the course. The seventy and final section of the retrospective should be a summary assessment of your strengths as a writer and the thoughts you have about using your writing skills in the future.

Application for completion of ADWR Graduate Certificate

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