

# 2018 MFA Index: 153 Full-Residency Programs

Program (alphabetical by region)	MFA Est.	Genres	Duration	Size	Funding	Cost of Living	App. Fee	Next Deadline
Adelphi University in Garden City, New York	2004	P, F, N	2	XS-S	Partial	V V H	\$50	1/15/18
Boston University in Massachusetts	2008	P, F	1-2	S	Full	V V H	\$95	2/1/18
Brooklyn College in New York	1974	P, F, +	2	M	Partial	V V H	\$125	1/16/18
Brown University in Providence, Rhode Island	1969	P, F, +	2	S	Full	H	\$75	12/15/17
Chatham University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania	2002	P, F, N, +	2	L	Partial	L	\$0	1/15/18
City College of New York in New York City	2004	P, F, N	2-3	XL	Partial	V V H	\$125	10/1/17
College of New Rochelle in New York	2015	F, N	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$0	2/15/18
Columbia University School of the Arts in New York City	1968	P, F, N, T	2-3	XL	Partial	V V H	\$110	1/5/18
Cornell University in Ithaca, New York	1967	P, F	2	XS	Full	H	\$105	12/15/17
Emerson College in Boston, Massachusetts	1981	P, F, N	2-3	L	Partial	V V H	\$60	2/1/18
Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York	2011	P, F, N, +	2	XS	Partial	V V H	\$75	1/1/18
Hunter College in New York City	1999	P, F, N	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$125	2/1/18
Long Island University in Brooklyn, New York	2007	P, F, N	2-3	XS-S	Partial	V V H	\$50	Rolling
Manhattanville College in Purchase, New York	2012	P, F, N	2	XS-S	Partial	V V H	\$0	Rolling
The New School in New York City	1996	P, F, N, +	2	XL	Partial	V V H	\$50	1/15/18
New York University in New York City	1996	P, F	2	L-XL	Partial	V V H	\$100	12/18/17
Queens College in New York	2007	P, F, N, T, +	2-3	S	Partial	V V H	\$125	2/15/18
Rosemont College in Pennsylvania	2004	P, F, N	2-3	L	Partial	V V H	\$0	Rolling
Rutgers University in Camden, New Jersey	2008	P, F, N	2-3	S	Full	L	\$70	1/20/18
Rutgers University in Newark, New Jersey	2007	P, F	2-3	S	Full	H	\$65	1/1/18
Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, New York	1969	P, F, N, +	2	XL	Partial	V V H	\$60	12/15/17

Northeast

## KEY

### Genres

The program offers tracks in these genres. P = Poetry; F = Fiction; N = Nonfiction; T = Translation; NGS = Not Genre-Specific; + = Additional Genres, such as playwriting/drama, screenwriting, TV writing, writing for children and young adults, digital language arts, popular-genre fiction, comics and/or graphic narratives, and experimental literary forms. Note: Some programs offer translation as a concentration or as required coursework; only

translation tracks are noted here. Many programs offer dual-genre or cross-genre tracks or opportunities, which are not noted here.

### Duration

The number of years it takes a full-time student to complete a degree. The only exceptions are programs in which all students enroll part-time (e.g., Northwestern University).

### Size

The total number of students in the incoming class each year across all genres. XS = 2-9 students; S = 10-19; M = 20-30; L = 31-49; XL = 50+

### Funding

The level of financial support students receive toward their tuition. This includes tuition waivers, fellowships, scholarships, and/or teaching/research/graduate assistantships.

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Northeast	Southern Connecticut State University in New Haven	2009	P, F, N	2	S	Partial	H	\$50	3/1/18
	St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn, New York (The Writer's Foundry)	2012	NGS	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$25	2/15/18
	Stony Brook University in Southampton, New York	2007	P, F, N	2-3	S-M	Partial	V V H	\$100	1/1/18
	Syracuse University in New York	1992	P, F	3	S	Full	V L	\$75	12/15/17
	Temple University in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania	2011	P, F	2	S	Partial	A	\$75	12/15/17
	University of Massachusetts in Amherst	1964	P, F	3	M	Partial	V V H	\$75	12/15/17
	University of Massachusetts in Boston	2007	P, F	3	S	Full	V V H	\$60	1/15/18
	University of New Hampshire in Durham	2007	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	V V H	\$65	1/15/18
	University of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania	1978	P, F, N	3	XS	Full	L	\$50	1/7/18
	Vermont College of Fine Arts in Montpelier	2014	P, F, N	2	S-M	Partial	H	\$75	2/28/18
	William Paterson University in Wayne, New Jersey	2010	P, F, N	2-3	XS	Partial	V V H	\$50	Rolling
Southeast	American University in Washington, D.C.	1980	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	V V H	\$55	1/15/18
	College of Charleston in South Carolina	2016	P, F	2	S	Partial	H	\$50	2/1/18
	Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton	2004	P, F, N	3	S	Full	V H	\$30	1/15/18
	Florida International University in Miami	1989	P, F, N	3	XS-S	Partial	V H	\$30	1/9/18
	Florida State University in Tallahassee	2006	P, F, N	3	XS-S	Full	A	\$30	12/16/17
	George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia	1980	P, F, N	3	M-L	Partial	V V H	\$75	1/10/18
	Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville	2002	P, F, N	3	S	Partial	L	\$35	2/1/18
	Georgia State University in Atlanta	1989	P, F	2-3	S	Partial	A	\$50	2/15/18
	Hollins University in Roanoke, Virginia	1959	P, F, N	2	S	Full	L	\$40	1/6/18
	Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland	1947	P, F	2	XS	Full	L	\$75	1/15/18

Full = All students are offered full tuition support for the duration of the program.  
 Partial = At least some students are offered some tuition support for the duration of the program.  
 Note: Many programs cannot guarantee full funding for all students, as funding often depends on university budgets that change unpredictably each year. If a program has funded all or nearly all of its students for the past several years, it is listed as "Full."

**Cost of Living**  
 According to bestplaces.net, which calculates total cost of living for each U.S. city compared with an overall national average.  
 V V L = Very Very Low: 25% or more below  
 V L = Very Low: 16-24% below  
 L = Low: 6-15% below  
 A = Average: 5% below-5% above  
 H = High: 6-15% above  
 V H = Very High: 16-24% above  
 V V H = Very Very High: 25% or more above

**App. Fee**  
 The lowest application fee (postal or online) for U.S. students. Note: Many programs charge a higher fee for non-U.S. students.  
**Next Deadline**  
 The next application deadline on or after September 1, 2017, whether that be a priority deadline, funding deadline, or final deadline. For most programs listed here, it is the final deadline for entry into the program in fall 2018.

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Southeast	North Carolina State University in Raleigh	2005	P, F	2	S	Full	A	\$75	2/1/18
	Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia	1994	P, F, N	3	S	Partial	A	\$50	3/1/18
	University of Baltimore in Maryland	2004	P, F, N	3	M	Partial	L	\$35	2/15/18
	University of Central Florida in Orlando	2006	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	A	\$30	1/5/18
	University of Florida in Gainesville	1949	P, F	3	S	Full	L	\$30	1/15/18
	University of Maryland in College Park	1990	P, F	2-3	XS	Full	V H	\$75	1/3/18
	University of Miami in Coral Gables, Florida	1991	P, F	2-3	XS	Full	V V H	\$65	2/1/18
	University of North Carolina in Greensboro	1965	P, F	2	S	Partial	L	\$65	1/1/18
	University of North Carolina in Wilmington	1996	P, F, N	3	M	Partial	A	\$60	1/5/18
	University of South Carolina in Columbia	1990	P, F	3	XS	Full	L	\$50	12/15/17
	University of South Florida in Tampa	2006	P, F, N, +	3	XS	Full	A	\$30	1/1/18
	University of Virginia in Charlottesville	1981	P, F	2	S	Full	H	\$85	12/15/17
	Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond	1983	P, F	3	XS	Full	A	\$65	1/15/18
	Virginia Tech in Blacksburg	2005	P, F	3	XS	Full	H	\$75	1/16/18
	West Virginia University in Morgantown	2001	P, F, N	3	S	Full	A	\$60	1/15/18
Central South	Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge	1985	P, F, N, +	3	XS	Full	L	\$50	1/15/18
	McNeese State University in Lake Charles, Louisiana	1981	P, F	3	XS	Partial	L	\$0	2/21/18
	Oklahoma State University in Stillwater	2009	P, F, N	3	S	Partial	L	\$50	1/15/18
	Sam Houston State University in Huntsville, Texas	2012	P, F, N	3	XS	Partial	L	\$45	10/15/17
	Texas State University in San Marcos	1991	P, F	3	M	Partial	L	\$40	1/15/18
	University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa	1973	P, F, N	3-4	S-M	Full	A	\$65	12/20/17
	University of Arkansas in Fayetteville	1966	P, F, T	4	S	Full	L	\$0	1/12/18
	University of Central Arkansas in Conway	2012	P, F, N	3	XS	Partial	L	\$25	2/1/18
	University of Houston in Texas	1979	P, F	3	XS	Full	A	\$85	1/2/18
	University of Kentucky in Lexington	2014	P, F, N	2	XS	Full	L	\$65	3/1/18
University of Memphis in Tennessee	1989	P, F	3	XS	Partial	V V L	\$35	10/15/17	

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Central South	University of Mississippi in Oxford	2000	P, F	3	XS	Full	A	\$0	12/15/17
	University of New Orleans in Louisiana	1991	P, F, N, +	3	M	Partial	A	\$20	1/15/18
	University of Tennessee in Knoxville	2014	P, F	2	XS	Full	V L	\$60	1/15/18
	University of Texas in Austin (Michener Center for Writers)	1993	P, F, +	3	S	Full	V H	\$65	12/15/17
	University of Texas in Austin (New Writers Project)	2010	P, F	2	XS	Full	V H	\$65	12/15/17
	University of Texas in El Paso	1992	P, F, N	3	S	Partial	V L	\$45	2/2/18
	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley in Edinburg and Brownsville	2006	P, F, N, T, +	2-3	S	Partial	L-V L	\$50	10/1/17
	Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee	2006	P, F	2	XS	Full	A	\$0	12/15/17
	Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green	2015	P, F, N, +	2	XS	Full	L	\$65	2/1/18
	Midwest	Bowling Green State University in Ohio	1968	P, F	2	S	Full	L	\$45
Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana		2008	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	L	\$0	3/1/18
Chicago State University in Illinois		2001	P, F, N	2-3	XS-S	Partial	H	\$30	10/15/17
Columbia College Chicago in Illinois		1991	P, F, N	2-3	L	Partial	H	\$55	1/13/18
Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska		2013	P, F	2	S	Partial	L	\$50	Rolling
Hamline University in St. Paul, Minnesota		1994	P, F, N	3	M	Partial	A	\$0	11/1/17
Indiana University in Bloomington		1980	P, F	3	XS	Full	L	\$55	1/2/18
Iowa State University in Ames		2006	P, F, N, +	3	S	Partial	A	\$60	1/5/18
Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Missouri		2000	P, F, N, +	1-2	L	Partial	A	\$30	Rolling
Miami University in Oxford, Ohio		2017	P, F, N	2	XS-S	Full	A	\$50	1/1/18
Minnesota State University in Mankato		1995	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	A	\$40	2/1/18
Northeast Ohio Master of Fine Arts (NEOMFA) in Akron, Cleveland, Kent, and Youngstown		2005	P, F, N, +	3	M	Partial	L-V V L	\$40-45	1/15/18
Northern Michigan University in Marquette		2000	P, F, N	3	XS	Full	L	\$50	2/1/18
Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois		2008	P, F, N	2.5-5	S	Partial	V V H	\$75	10/15/17
Ohio State University in Columbus		1992	P, F, N	3	S	Full	L	\$60	12/8/17
Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana		1987	P, F	3	XS	Full	A	\$60	12/30/17
Roosevelt University in Chicago, Illinois		1998	F, N	2-3	XS-S	Partial	H	\$40	Rolling

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Midwest	School of the Art Institute of Chicago in Illinois	1996	NGS	2	M	Partial	H	\$80	1/10/18
	Southern Illinois University in Carbondale	1996	P, F	3	XS-S	Full	L	\$65	2/1/18
	University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign	2002	P, F	3	XS	Full	L	\$70	12/1/17
	University of Iowa in Iowa City (Iowa Writers' Workshop)	1936	P, F	2	XL	Full	A	\$60	12/15/17
	University of Iowa in Iowa City (Nonfiction Writing Program)	1976	N	3	S	Full	A	\$60	12/29/17
	University of Kansas in Lawrence	2005	P, F, +	3	XS	Full	A	\$65	12/31/17
	University of Michigan in Ann Arbor (Helen Zell Writers' Program)	1982	P, F	2-3	M	Full	V H	\$75	1/1/18
	University of Minnesota in Minneapolis	1997	P, F, N	3	S	Full	H	\$75	12/1/17
	University of Missouri in Kansas City	2008	P, F, N, +	2-3	S	Partial	L	\$35	1/15/18
	University of Missouri in St. Louis	1998	P, F	3	S	Partial	L	\$50	3/1/18
	University of Notre Dame in Indiana	1990	P, F, N	2	XS	Full	V L	\$75	1/2/18
	University of Wisconsin in Madison	2002	P, F	2	XS	Full	H	\$75	12/15/17
	Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri	1980	P, F, N	2	S	Full	L	\$45	12/15/17
	Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo	1981	P, F, +	3	XS	Full	V L	\$50	1/10/18
Wichita State University in Kansas	1974	P, F	3	XS-S	Full	L	\$50	1/10/18	
West	Arizona State University in Tempe	1985	P, F	3	XS	Full	H	\$70	1/1/18
	Boise State University in Idaho	1999	P, F	3	XS	Full	A	\$65	1/15/18
	Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah	2009	P, F, N	2	S	Full	A	\$50	1/15/18
	California College of the Arts in San Francisco	2000	P, F, N, +	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$70	1/10/18
	California Institute of the Arts in Valencia	1994	NGS	2	S-M	Partial	V V H	\$70	12/1/17
	California State University in Long Beach	1995	P, F	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$55	1/15/18
	Chapman University in Orange, California	1990	P, F, N, +	2	M	Partial	V V H	\$60	2/1/18
	Colorado State University in Fort Collins	1985	P, F	3	XS-S	Partial	V H	\$60	1/1/18
	Eastern Washington University in Spokane	1972	P, F, N	2	M	Partial	A	\$75	2/16/18
	Fresno State in California	1996	P, F, N	3	S-M	Partial	H	\$55	3/1/18
Mills College in Oakland, California	1980	P, F, N	2-3	XL	Partial	V V H	\$50	1/15/18	

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Naropa University in Boulder, Colorado	1974	NGS	2	S-M	Partial	V V H	\$60	1/16/18
New Mexico State University in Las Cruces	2001	P, F	3	XS-S	Partial	L	\$40	1/15/18
Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff	2012	P, F, N	2	S	Partial	V H	\$65	2/1/18
Oregon State University in Corvallis	2002	P, F, N	2	S	Full	V V H	\$75	1/3/18
Otis College of Art and Design in Los Angeles, California	2000	P, F, N, T	2	XS	Partial	V V H	\$60	11/1/17
Portland State University in Oregon	2009	P, F, N	2	M	Partial	V V H	\$65	1/15/18
Saint Mary's College of California in Moraga	1995	P, F, N	2-3	M	Partial	V V H	\$0	12/10/17
San Diego State University in California	1989	P, F	3	M	Partial	V V H	\$55	2/1/18
San Francisco State University in California	1992	P, F, N, T, +	3	M	Partial	V V H	\$55	1/15/18
San Jose State University in California	2001	P, F, N, +	2-3	L	Partial	V V H	\$55	3/1/18
University of Alaska in Fairbanks	1965	P, F, N, +	3	XS	Partial	V H	\$75	1/15/18
University of Arizona in Tucson	1972	P, F, N	3	S	Full	A	\$85	12/15/17
University of California in Irvine	1970	P, F	2-3	S	Full	V V H	\$105	12/9/17
University of California in Riverside	2002	P, F, N, +	2	S	Full	V V H	\$80	1/5/18
University of California in San Diego	2009	P, F	2-3	XS	Full	V V H	\$105	12/1/17
University of Colorado in Boulder	2006	P, F	3	XS-S	Partial	V V H	\$60	1/10/18
University of Idaho in Moscow	1996	P, F, N	3	XS	Partial	H	\$60	2/1/18
University of Montana in Missoula	1964	P, F, N	2-3	M	Partial	H	\$60	1/6/18
University of Nevada in Las Vegas	1997	P, F, N	3	L	Full	A	\$60	1/15/18
University of Nevada in Reno	2015	P, F	3	XS-S	Partial	V H	\$60	1/15/18
University of New Mexico in Albuquerque	2005	P, F, N	3	XS	Full	A	\$50	1/15/18
University of Oregon in Eugene	1966	P, F	2	XS-S	Full	H	\$70	1/15/18
University of San Francisco in California	1986	P, F, N	2-3	L	Partial	V V H	\$55	1/15/18
University of Utah in Salt Lake City	1983	P, F, N	2-3	S	Partial	H	\$55	12/15/17
University of Washington in Bothell	2012	NGS	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$85	2/1/18
University of Washington in Seattle	1947	P, F, N	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$85	1/2/18

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West	University of Wyoming in Laramie	2008	P, F, N	2	XS	Full	A	\$50	1/10/18
	Western Washington University in Bellingham	2013	P, F, N	2	S	Partial	V V H	\$100	1/15/18
International	University of British Columbia in Vancouver	1965	P, F, N, T, +	2	M	Partial	-	\$162 Canadian	1/8/18
	University of Guelph in Ontario	2006	P, F, N, +	2	S	Partial	-	\$110 Canadian	12/11/17
	University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon	2011	P, F, N, +	2	XS	Partial	-	\$90 Canadian	1/30/18
	University of Victoria in British Columbia	2008	P, F, N, +	2	XS	Full	-	\$147 Canadian	12/1/17
	Kingston University in London	2009	P, F, N, +	2	M	Partial	-	\$0	7/31/18

**NOTES:** Multiple attempts were made to verify the information in the MFA Programs database and the 2018 MFA Index with representatives of each program (with the exception of cost of living, which was found at bestplaces.net). If these attempts were unsuccessful (as was the case with the full-residency program at Chicago State University and the low-residency program at Albertus Magnus College) the information was checked against the program's website as well as *MFA Nation 2016: A Compendium of Graduate Programs in Creative Writing* at pw.org. ♦ The MFA programs at Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Missouri, and the University of Texas in El Paso offer an online track in addition to a full-residency track. Other universities that offer fully online MFA degrees include Bay Path University in Longmeadow, Massachusetts; Concordia University in St. Paul; Mount St. Mary's University in Los Angeles; National University in La Jolla, California; and the University of Arkansas in Monticello. ♦ Many colleges and universities, some of which offer MFA degrees and are listed in the 2018 MFA Index, administer MA and/or PhD degrees in creative writing. The MFA Programs database at pw.org lists these programs. ♦ The MFA Programs database is updated by associate editor Dana Isokawa, senior web editor Jessica Kashiwabara, and assistant web editor Bonnie Chau.