



MUWriMo 2014 FAQs



What is MUWriMo?

- Marquette University Writing Month (MUWriMo) encourages writers all over campus to set their own writing goals for the month of November and provides a community of support for those writers. We are inspired by and part of the broader event of National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo.org)—an international event with over 200,000 participants.

I'm not a fiction writer. Can I still participate in MUWriMo?

- Absolutely! MUWriMo is about building community for ALL writers—fiction writers, academic writers, poets, script writers, journalists, anyone. (In NaNo-speak you are a NaNoRebel.)

I'm not a Marquette student. Can I still participate?

- Yes! MUWriMo is open to everyone: Marquette students, faculty, staff, administrators, and alumni as well as anyone in the surrounding community. The more writers, the better.

I know that National Novel Writing Month sets a pretty ambitious goal (a 50,000-word novel in a month). I can't do that much. Can I still participate in MUWriMo?

- Definitely! Participants in MUWriMo set their own goals: maybe it's a novel, or maybe it's a paper or two for classes. Or a dissertation chapter. Or finishing a revise-and-resubmit. Or grad school applications. Or maybe it's just making time for your own writing on a regular basis. All goals—however modest or ambitious—are welcome.

Okay, I want to be a part of MUWriMo. How can I get involved?

- *Sign yourself up on our publically available spreadsheet.* (The link is available on the Ott Memorial Writing Center website: www.marquette.edu/writingcenter.) Set your goals and then come back throughout the month of November to keep the MarqUWriMo community posted on your progress. *The first 50 people to sign up get a "MUWriMo 2014: Ask me about my writing" button.*
- Follow us on facebook (Ott Memorial Writing Center) and twitter (@OttWC) to get daily updates and pep talks and reminders of local face-to-face events.
- Join us for face-to-face events. Bring along your laptop, notebooks, and other writing materials for icebreakers, goal-setting, "word wars" (we set a timer and see how much we can write in 30 minutes), and workshops throughout the month of November. You don't have to stay the entire time; join us whenever you can.
 - **Mini Writing Retreat:** Monday, November 3, 6-8pm (240 Raynor)
 - **Mini Writing Retreat:** Monday, November 10, 5-7pm (240 Raynor)
 - **Writing Retreat:** Sunday, November 16, 1-5pm (Raynor Beaumier Suite A; please sign up in advance at marquette.edu/writingcenter)
 - **Writer Fight Club:** A celebration of writers and writing. Come read from and cheer for your favorite authors! Thursday, November 20, 5pm, Raynor Beaumier Suites. Refreshments will be provided.

Have more questions? Want to let us know you're coming to an event? Contact the MUWriMo staff at writingcenter@marquette.edu or call us at 288-5542.