

# Poetry (MFA)

## Estimated Program Costs

The **Poetry MFA** program emphasizes an intimate graduate experience while encompassing a wide breadth of poetic and literary traditions. You'll experience close working relationships with accomplished, award-winning faculty and produce creative, effective poetry in your own unique voice.

**To earn an MFA in Poetry at Columbia, you must complete 34 credits.**

The below chart reflects the typical costs of a full-time student in this program:

	YEAR 1 FALL AND SPRING	YEAR 2 FALL AND SPRING	TOTAL COSTS
ESTIMATED DIRECT EXPENSES	\$21,498	\$19,415	\$40,913
ESTIMATED INDIRECT EXPENSES	\$21,236	\$21,236	\$42,472

- The estimated **direct expenses** include tuition and fees for the program based on 2020–21 tuition rates. Tuition rates are subject to annual increases. You will be billed by Columbia for direct expenses after you register for each semester of the program.
- The estimated **indirect expenses** reflect the average cost of attending college full time in Chicago and include estimates for books and supplies, room and board, and transportation. You will not be billed by Columbia for indirect expenses, and your actual expenses may vary.

### Financing Your Graduate Degree at Columbia

Columbia will work closely with you to create a plan to finance your graduate program. We recommend that you submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**fafsa.gov**) with the Columbia school code of 001665 for the academic year that you plan to begin your graduate program. For additional information on financing your graduate program, please visit [colum.edu/columbiacentral](http://colum.edu/columbiacentral).