

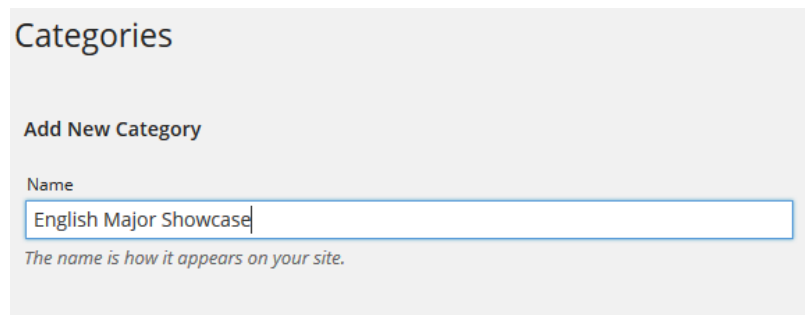
# INSTITUTE WRITING PROGRAM

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### Creating Your English Major Showcase

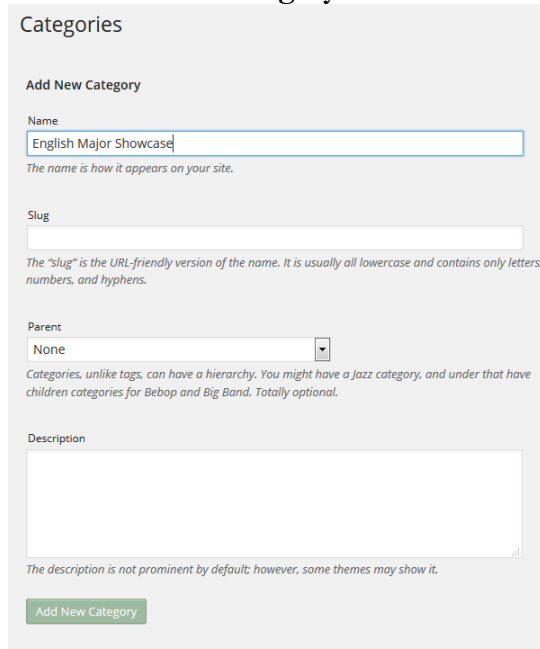
All English majors will need an ePortfolio showcase to highlight their favorite work throughout the academic year. This handout will guide you through constructing your English major showcase menu on your ePortfolio WordPress blog.

1. Log into ePortfolio. Once you're logged into the site, you will automatically go to your blog's **Dashboard**.
2. Hover your mouse over **Posts** on the left hand side of your screen. Select **Categories** from the submenu.
3. You will create a new category by writing "Showcase" or "English Major Showcase" into the **Add a New Category** text field.



The screenshot shows the 'Categories' management page in WordPress. At the top, it says 'Categories'. Below that is the 'Add New Category' section. There is a 'Name' label and a text input field containing 'English Major Showcase'. Below the input field is a small note: 'The name is how it appears on your site.'

4. Click **Add New Category** at the bottom of the screen.



This screenshot shows the same 'Add New Category' form as the previous one, but with more fields visible. Below the 'Name' field is a 'Slug' field, which is currently empty. Below that is a 'Parent' dropdown menu set to 'None'. Below the dropdown is a note: 'Categories, unlike tags, can have a hierarchy. You might have a Jazz category, and under that have children categories for Bebop and Big Band. Totally optional.' Below that is a 'Description' text area, which is also empty. At the bottom of the form is a green button labeled 'Add New Category'.

- Now, add new categories for each of the areas of the showcase: practices as a rhetorician, your awareness of cultural or historical influences, ability to think analytically, ability to argue ethically, ability to conduct and document research, your creativity, ability to reflect on your learning, and your capstone signature project.
- Before you add these categories, select “English Major Showcase” as the **Parent** category.

**Categories**

**Add New Category**

Name  
  
*The name is how it appears on your site.*

Slug  
  
*The “slug” is the URL-friendly version of the name. It is usually all lowercase and contains only letters, numbers, and hyphens.*

Parent  
  
*Categories, unlike tags, can have a hierarchy. You might have a Jazz category, and under that have children categories for Bebop and Big Band. Totally optional.*

- Click **Add New Category**.
- Now, hover your mouse over **Appearances**.
- Select **Menus**.

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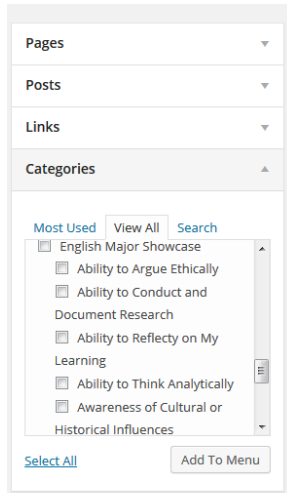
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Select All Add To Menu

- Click on **Categories**.
- Click **View All**. This will show you all the categories you’ve made.



12. Check the boxes for English Major Showcase and all of the subcategories.
13. Click **Add To Menu** at the bottom right of the **Categories** box.
14. Your items will be added to the **Menu** on the right side of the screen. Organize the **Menu** by moving the boxes around. (See the **Creating Menus** handout).
15. Make sure you click **Save Menu**.
16. The **Menu** on your blog should look something like this:

