FS 12/13-65/GE/GRPC/EX COURSE/PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS IN WRITING, SECOND SEMESTER COMPOSITION REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION WITH A BACCALAUREATE DEGREE, DISCHARGE OF

The Faculty Senate recommends amending the General Education Program Policy, Section II. B.2. Course/Proficiency Requirements for Graduation with the Baccalaureate Degree, Course/Proficiency Requirements in Writing, Second Semester Composition Requirement (FS04-27A, Ex.; Policy File Number: FSG00020.htm (2006), http://www.csus.edu/umanual/acad/fsg00020.htm#SecondCompositionRequirement, II B2 and all pertinent documents to remove the Second Semester Writing Requirement effective Fall 2013.

- II. Course/Proficiency Requirements for Graduation with the Baccalaureate Degree
- A. American Institutions Requirements
- B. Course/Proficiency Requirements in Writing
 - 1. First Semester Composition Requirement
 - 2. Second Semester Composition Requirement
- C. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement
- D. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Policy
- E. Foreign Language Requirements

Second Semester Composition Requirement

a. Course Requirement

All students, including students who have completed the IGETC shall be required to complete a second semester composition course with a C- grade or better. The requirement is a graduation requirement, not a G.E. requirement. Composition/critical thinking courses taken to satisfy CSU G.E. Breadth Requirements or IGETC requirements do not necessarily satisfy the requirement. Second semester composition courses taken at other institutions may satisfy the requirement if they are determined by the Sac State English Department to be equivalent.

b. Criteria for Courses Satisfying the Requirement

Courses meeting the requirement shall normally be lower division courses and shall focus on composition writing and on reading. Generally, the course shall continue instruction and practice in the kinds of writing tasks introduced in English IA and shall include readings in and writings based on multicultural literature. Course grades shall be assigned primarily on the student's demonstrated writing ability. The curriculum of the course shall emphasize the following:

- a review of composition principles
- continued work on the thesis, organization, development
- continued work on revision

- close reading of texts
- summarizing texts in writing
- reviewing texts in writing
- evaluating texts in writing
- integrating texts of others into students' own prose
- constructing an argument, martialling evidence, persuading
- research techniques
- writing longer papers than are required in 1A
- refining style
- writing precisely and concisely

The motion was not agreed to.