

C O T P E T E N C E I N W R I T T E N C O M M U N I C A T I O N

A. Demonstration of competence in written communication shall be a requirement for graduation with any bachelor's degree. Competence shall be demonstrated by satisfaction of the General Education requirement for Written Communication II. Students shall satisfy the Written Communication II requirement either by passing a course approved as provided in part C, or, if permitted by the requirements of their major, by passing at the designated level the examination provided for in part D, or by satisfying the CSU Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) prior to matriculation at San José State University. Completion of General Education lower division requirements for written communication and passage of a standardized junior-level writing skills test shall be prerequisites for taking the Written Communication II

C. 1. Every department (or equivalent unit) responsible for offering an upper-division writing course shall either offer an upper-division writing workshop (Written Communication II) or designate for its majors, by agreement with that department, a course that satisfies the requirement. College deans shall coordinate department offerings to assure that the primary responsibility for offering such courses is that of the department. A department shall not designate a course in another college without notice.

2. Courses satisfying the General Education Written Communication II requirement and approved by the University Writing Requirements Committee. For course approval, the committee and the board must be satisfied that the standards are sufficiently high. If, in the committee's judgment, sufficiently high standards have not been met, the course may otherwise become deficient.

3. The University Writing Requirements Committee shall sponsor approved courses, may sponsor workshops and training programs, and shall use these and other appropriate means to maintain uniform standards of written communication throughout the University.

D. 1. If permitted by the requirements of the major, a student may

E. 1. The University Writing Requirements Committee shall be an administrative committee reporting to the Board of General Studies. Except where identified by office or position, its members shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Provost. The com