First-Year Writing Requirements for Transfer Students

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Policy Summary
Transfer students who enter DePaul with earned credit for WRD 104 are exempt from the online writing placement test, if they desire. They can satisfy the second writing course requirement by taking an expository writing course.

Scope
This policy affects the following groups of the University:

- Full-Time Faculty
- Part-Time Faculty
- Students

This policy affects all members of the above groups.

Policy
Transfer students who enter DePaul with earned credit for WRD 104 are exempt from the online writing placement test, if they desire. They can satisfy the second writing course requirement by taking any one of the following expository writing courses:

- WRD 103 Composition and Rhetoric I
- WRD 206 Introduction to Professional Writing
- WRD 300 Composition and Style
- WRD 301 Writing in the Professions

If the transfer student with earned credit for WRD 104 wishes to substitute an open elective for the second writing course requirement (or for Writing 103), here is how that can accomplished:

1. The online writing placement test must be taken and a score of 9 or higher must be earned.
2. If the transfer student taking the online placement test receives a score of 8, the student will take one of the advanced writing classes (i.e., WRD 206, WRD 300, or WRD 301), but not WRD 103.
3. If the transfer student taking the online placement test receives a score of 7, the student will take WRD 103.
4. If the student receives a score of 6 or lower, the student will use the writing assessment score to determine a WRD 101 or 102 start. The student will also complete WRD 103, but will be exempt from WRD 104. College advisors cannot waive WRD 101/102 placements.

Procedures
None

Divisional Collaborations
None

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