

Policies for Students Who are Off-Sequence in First-Year Writing Courses

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The required first year rhetoric and inquiry sequence is WRIT/FSEM 1111, WRIT 1122, and WRIT 1133. For students entering DU before fall 2006, the requirement was ENGG 1111, 1122, and 1133. The English department continued to offer all of these courses throughout 2006-07 but has now discontinued them. Students under the old requirements may substitute WRIT 1122 or 1133, as appropriate.

“Off sequence” students are those who have not completed first year courses in the expected time frame and who have missed previous opportunities to get back on track.

1. First-Time Students Entering DU in fall 2006 or Later and Missing WRIT 1111/FSEM 1111

The first year seminar does not fall under the jurisdiction of the writing program, but because the writing program receives inquiries from students who have failed to complete this course, we’re providing information. If a student has not completed 1111 by winter quarter of his or her first year, FSEM/WRIT 1111 is no longer an appropriate course. The student should contact Academic Advising for an appropriate substitute course.

2. Transfer Students Entering DU in fall 2006 or Later

Transfer students in this situation are exempted from the first-year seminars (FSEM or WRIT 1111). However, transfer students must complete WRIT 1122 and WRIT 1133, if they don’t transfer credit for those courses.

3. Students Entering DU BEFORE fall 2006 (including Transfers from other schools)

Such students (including both “native” DU students and transfers) had many opportunities in 2006-07 to complete the old ENGG requirements through courses still offered by the English department. After spring 2007, however, the ENGG writing courses were discontinued.

- a. If a student has completed **ENGG 1111 but nothing else**, then he or she should complete WRIT 1122 and WRIT 1133.
- b. If a student has completed **ENGG 1122 but nothing else**, then he or she should complete WRIT 1122 and WRIT 1133. The student should write a letter or email to the Director of Writing, Doug Hesse, explaining this situation. He will notify the Registrar’s Office that WRIT 1122 should substitute for ENGG 1111 and approve any needed overrides.
- c. If a student has completed **ENGG 1133 but nothing else**, then he or she should complete WRIT 1122 and WRIT 1133. The student should write a letter or email to the Director of the Writing Program, Doug Hesse, explaining this situation. Hesse will approve any needed overrides.
- d. If a student has completed **ENGG 1111 and ENGG 1122**, then he or she may either complete WRIT 1133 or may meet with the Chair of the English department to select an appropriate literature course, then propose that course to the Director of Writing (Hesse), for approval.
- e. If a student has completed **ENGG 1122 and ENGG 1133 but not ENGG 1111**, then he or she should complete WRIT 1122. The student should write a letter or email to the Director of Writing, Doug Hesse, explaining this situation. He will notify the Registrar’s Office that WRIT 1122 should substitute for ENGG 1111 and approve any needed overrides.
- f. If a student has **completed ENGG 1111 and ENGG 1133**, but not ENGG 1122, then he or she may complete either WRIT 1122 or WRIT 1133. The student should write a letter or email to the Director of the Writing Program, Doug Hesse, explaining this situation. Hesse will approve any needed overrides.
- g. If a student **entering DU before fall 2006 has completed no first year writing**, then he or she must complete WRIT 1122, WRIT 1133, and contact the Director of Writing to arrange a third appropriate course.

Course descriptions and information about transferring credit and about AP/IB credit are on the program’s website at <http://www.edu.edu/writing>