

UNDERGRADUATE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT: WRITING INTENSIVE

Minnesota State Mankato has adopted the following policy on the role of writing in education

Goals and Outcomes. Writing at Minnesota State Mankato is a commitment to all undergraduate students that they are given ample opportunity to develop sound writing skills that enable them to succeed in their respective professions. Students will continue to develop skills taught in Composition, applying them in the context of a particular discipline.

Students will be able to:

- Engage in effective writing processes, including the ability to generate ideas, draft, revise, format, and edit their work.
- Use writing to grapple with course content and reflect on their learning.
- Produce texts appropriate for an intended audience, purpose, and context.
- Display strong technical skills in areas such as grammar, mechanics, and source documentation.

In addition to demonstrating these competencies, students enrolled in upper-division writing-intensive courses will be able to:

- Write in academic, professional, or public genres related to the discipline, displaying an understanding of the genres' communicative functions and contexts.
- Locate, evaluate, analyze, and use source material or data in their writing.

In keeping with the spirit of this commitment, all Minnesota State Mankato undergraduate students must satisfy the Writing Intensive graduation requirement for graduation. For purposes of further clarifying the Writing Intensive graduation requirement, 'writing intensive' is defined as 20 pages (250 words per page) of evaluated written work, spread across a course. The 20 pages of writing assigned in a Writing Intensive course might include a combination of informal, exploratory writing and formal, polished writing.

- Informal writing assignments allow students to grapple with course content and clarify their understanding and/or opinions of course material. This writing might include learning logs, response journals, lab notebooks, discussion boards and the like.
- Formal writing assignments require students to use writing as a means to communicate in more formal writing situations. Such assignments might ask students to write for real or imagined academic, professional, or public audiences and to write in genres/for communicative purposes appropriate to the discipline.

At least 10 of the 20 pages must receive written feedback from instructors. Faculty are encouraged to solicit a draft or other preliminary work, provide written feedback on this writing- supplemented, whenever possible, with feedback from other students - and allow students time for revision and editing.

A portion of class time should be dedicated to writing instruction, and writing should play a significant role in the course grade.

Graduation Requirements:

Writing Intensive graduation requirements

- Students pursuing a baccalaureate degree must take two (2) courses from different disciplines for a minimum of six (6) credits from the list of courses designated as writing intensive.

- One (1) writing intensive course for a minimum of three (3) credits satisfies the Writing Intensive requirement for the AA degree issued by Minnesota State Mankato.
- Transfer students who have taken thirty (30) or more credits or have already received an AA degree will be granted a minimum of three (3) Writing Intensive credits.

Course(s) which satisfy this goal area include:

AET 488W	AET 489W	AIS 210WP	AIS 220WP
AIS 230WP	AIS 240WP	AIS 300W	ANTH 250WP
ANTH 421WP	ANTH 425W	ANTH 436WP	ANTH 438W
ANTH 443WP	ART 265W	BIOL 103W	BIOL 105W
CAHN 101W	CHEM 381W	CHEM 466W	CIVE 370W
CMST 101W	CMST 485W	CORR 447W	CS 201W
CS 490W	CS 498W	DANC 120W	DANC 484W
DHYG 425W	ECON 103WP	ECON 314W	ECON 320W
ECON 482W	ECON 485W	EE 467W	EE 477W
EEC 422WG	ENG 112W	ENG 113W	ENG 201W
ENG 211WP	ENG 212W	ENG 213W	ENG 242W
ENG 271W	ENG 272W	ENG 275W	ENG 301W
ENG 474W	ENG 477W	ENGR 311W	ENGR 312W
ENGR 411W	ENGR 412W	ETHN 201WP	ETHN 202W
ETHN 203WP	ETHN 204WP	ETHN 220WP	ETHN 300W
ETHN 402WG	FCS 414W	FILM 210W	FILM 216W
FILM 334WP	FREN 302W	GEOG 210W	GEOG 320W
GER 150WP	GERO 200WG	GWS 110WP	GWS 120WP
GWS 220WP	GWS 225WG	GWS 251WP	GWS 330W
HIST 170W	HIST 171W	HIST 180W	HIST 181W
HIST 190WP	HIST 191WP	HIST 260W	HLTH 380W
HLTH 420W	HP 403W	HP 466WP	HUM 101W
HUM 250W	HUM 280W	HUM 281WP	HUM 282WP
HUM 450W	IT 202W	KSP 220W	LAW 332W
LAW 337W	LAW 343W	MASS 221W	MASS 325W
MASS 330W	MASS 436W	MASS 431W	MASS 434W
MATH 492W	ME 436W	ME 438W	ME 466W
MET 488W	MET 489W	MUSC 301W	MUSC 302W
MUSC 309W	MUSE 200W	NURS 101W	PHIL 100W
PHIL 101W	PHIL 115W	PHIL 120W	PHIL 205W
PHIL 222W	PHIL 224W	PHIL 226W	PHIL 240W
PHIL 321W	PHIL 322W	PHIL 323W	PHIL 334W
PHIL 336W	PHIL 358WP	PHYS 475W	POL 103W
PSYC 103W	PSYC 211W	PSYC 425W	PSYC 460WP
REHB 110WG	RPLS 447W	RPLS 471W	SCAN 150WP
SCAN 251WP	SOC 101WP	SOWK 180W	SPAN 210W
SPAN 311W	SPED 448W	THEA 285WP	THEA 381W
THEA 417W	THEA 485W	THEA 487W	URBS 230W