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**RE:** Revision to Davis Division Regulation (DDR) 521: University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR)

Dear Colleagues:

Under advisement from the Systemwide Academic Senate, the Davis Division has approved flexibility to DDR 521. For Summer Sessions 2021, students can complete the ELWR with a grade of Passed (or at least C-), which allows students to take ELWR courses on a Passed/Not Passed basis. The full revision is enclosed.

Please communicate this information to advisors and affected students as you see fit.

Sincerely,



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Enclosed: Revision of DDR 521

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**PROPOSED REVISION OF DAVIS DIVISION REGULATION 521:  
University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement**

Submitted by the Academic Senate Chair.

Endorsed by Executive Council.

Rationale: The proposed revision to Davis Division Regulation 521: University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement adds flexibility to the regulation allowing for completion of the Entry Level Writing Requirement in Summer Session(s) 2021 when a student passes a course with a grade of Passed or a C- or better. This allows students to take these courses on a Passed/Not Passed basis.

Proposed Revision: Davis Division Regulation 521 shall be amended as follows. Deletions are indicated by strikeout; additions are in bold type.

521. University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement (En. 6/1/2006)

- A. The University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement is a reading and writing proficiency requirement governed by Academic Senate Regulation 636 and this Divisional Regulation. (En. 6/1/2006, Am. 9/1/2018)
- B. Prior to enrollment at the University of California, each student may satisfy the University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement as specified by Academic Senate Regulation 636. (En. 6/1/2006, Am. 9/1/2018)
- C. A student who has not satisfied the University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement prior to enrollment in the University of California, Davis must satisfy the requirement either (En. 6/1/2006)
  1. by passing the University of California Analytical Writing Placement Exam administered Systemwide or on the Davis campus, or (En. 6/1/2006)
  2. by passing, with a grade of at least C or above, one of the Entry Level Writing Requirement courses certified by the Committee on Preparatory Education and Undergraduate Council. A student who receives a final grade of C- or below has not fulfilled the University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement and may repeat the course(s). The list of certified courses will be maintained by the Committee on Preparatory Education and publicized by the Director of Entry Level Writing. (En. 6/1/2006, Am. 9/1/2018)
    - a. For spring quarter 2020, summer session(s) 2020, fall quarter 2020, winter quarter 2021, ~~and~~ spring quarter 2021, **and summer session(s) 2021**, a student can satisfy the University Entry Level Writing Requirement by passing, with a grade of Passed or at least C-, one of the Entry Level Writing Requirement courses certified by the Committee on Preparatory Education and Undergraduate Council. The list of certified courses will be maintained by the Committee on Preparatory Education and publicized by the Director of Entry Level Writing.

- D. If a student is identified as an English language learner (ESL) on the University of California Analytic Writing Placement Exam, or through a placement exam on the Davis campus as determined by the Director for Entry Level Writing, the student will be placed into the ESL pathway for Entry Level Writing. The procedure for the ESL pathway will be maintained by the Committee on Preparatory Education and publicized by the Director of Entry Level Writing and the Director of ESL. (En. 6/1/2006, Am. 9/1/2018)
- E. In accordance with Academic Senate Regulation 636.D, students placed into the ESL pathway will have three quarters plus one quarter for each required ESL course to meet the requirement. Other students must satisfy the University of California Entry Level Writing Requirement as early as possible during the first year in residence at the University of California. A student who has not done so within the prescribed timeframe will not be eligible to enroll for additional quarters unless the student has been granted an extension by the Committee on Preparatory Education. The Committee on Preparatory Education may delegate the authority to grant such extensions to that student's college Dean, or adviser as authorized by the Dean. In the case of such delegation, the Dean shall submit an annual report to the Committee on Preparatory Education. (En. 6/1/2006, Am. 9/1/2016, 9/1/2018)