THE WRITING CENTER

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THE WRITING PROGRAM

Within four quarters following successful completion of the UC Entry Level Writing Requirement, all students entering as freshmen must complete a two-course sequence at UC San Diego in Warren Writing (10A and 10B). The purpose of the sequence is to teach and thereby enable students, through intensive practice, to read critically and write appropriately in a variety of academic contexts. Classes are seminar-size and center on discussion of student work.

In both 10A and 10B, student writing is duplicated and discussed by the class in a workshop setting. Instructors hold conferences with students individually during the quarter and provide written and oral commentaries on student work. The minimum writing requirement is 8,000 words per quarter.

ETHICS AND SOCIETY

All Warren students entering as freshmen must take two core courses in Ethics and Society. The courses are cross-listed as Political Science 27 and 28 and Philosophy 27 and 28 (see departmental listings). A student may enroll in these courses through either department. The courses are to be taken immediately following completion of Warren Writing 10A-B (or Scholars Seminar 11A-B). Poli./Phil. 27 must be taken before Poli./Phil. 28.

WARREN SCHOLARS SEMINAR

The Warren Scholars Seminar offers an interdisciplinary curriculum that is designed to help students broaden their intellectual interests and prepare them for rigorous academic inquiry. Students enroll in two seminars, Warren 11A-B, which fulfill the college writing requirement. The seminars are taught by a Warren College lecturer and feature distinguished guest speakers from a variety of disciplines.

Entering first-year Honors Program students are admitted to the Warren Scholars Seminar by application and invitation. Students in the Honors Program may serve as undergraduate assistants in Warren 11A-B (Warren 195, Apprentice Teaching). Undergraduate assistants participate in planning class meetings, introducing guest speakers, facilitating small-group discussions, and supporting students in the paper-writing process.

WARREN COLLEGE HONORS PROGRAM

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The Warren College Honors Program offers students educational, cultural, and social experiences designed to broaden their intellectual interests. The activities vary each quarter and are planned to foster student interaction and promote a sense of community.

Entering freshmen with a high school GPA of 3.8 or above and SAT I scores of 700 reading/700 math/700 writing, or the ACT equivalent, are eligible to participate in the Honors Program. To remain in the program, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.7 on all graded units completed at UC San Diego.

Students who do not qualify for the Honors Program at the time of admission and all transfer students may join as soon as a cumulative GPA of 3.7 is attained on twelve or more graded units completed at UC San Diego. In all subsequent quarters, students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.7 on all graded units completed at UC San Diego to remain in the program. Students in the Warren College Honors Program are not required to apply to the program or produce research projects in order to continue in the program.

Any Warren Honors student who writes a research paper for a departmental honors course may submit his or her paper to the Warren College Provost’s Office for consideration for the Michael Addison Award. The award is presented annually at commencement to the Warren Honors student who is judged to have written the most distinguished research paper. The submission must be accompanied by a letter of support from the faculty departmental honors advisor.

For more information, please contact the program coordinator at (858) 534-1709 or warren.honors@ucsd.edu.

COURSES

For course descriptions not found in the UC San Diego General Catalog, 2010–11, please contact the department for more information.

10A. The Writing Course A (4)
A workshop course in reading and writing required of all Warren College students. The course emphasizes argumentation and critical writing based on sources. (Letter grade only.) Prerequisites: satisfaction of the university entry level writing requirement and must be a Warren College student.

10B. The Writing Course B (4)
A workshop course in reading and writing required of all Warren College students who have completed 10A. The course continues the emphasis on argumentation and critical writing based on sources. (Letter grade only.) Prerequisites: completion of WCWP 10A and must be a Warren College student.

11A. Warren Scholars Seminar A (4)
The Warren College Scholars Seminar A allows students to develop and refine their expressive and analytical skills. The seminar offers an interdisciplinary approach to topics on the relation of individuals and society, and the function of evidence and observation in the formation of theories. The course emphasizes argumentation and critical thinking. (Letter grade only.) Prerequisites: limited to freshman Warren College Honors Program students upon approval of a submitted writing sample.

11B. Warren Scholars Seminar B (4)
The Warren Scholars Seminar B allows students to develop and refine their expressive and analytical skills by exploring a topic that offers viewpoints from a wide range of disciplines. The seminar emphasizes argumentation and critical writing. The topic will vary each year. (Letter grade only.) Prerequisite: Warren 11A or by consent of instructor.

189. Academic Mentoring and the Writing Process (2)
Students will gain a fundamental understanding of all stages of the writing process and will develop the necessary skills to serve as productive mentors for their peers. Prerequisites: students must have completed WCWP 10A and 10B (or WARR 11A and 11B) and Phil./Poli. 27 with B grade or higher, have upper-division standing, and a minimum GPA of 3.0. Enrollment is restricted to Warren students only. Submission of a writing portfolio and departmental authorization is required to enroll.

195. Apprentice Teaching (1)
Undergraduate instructional assistant. Responsible both in area of learning and instruction. Student must prepare reading materials assigned by the professors and lead student discussions in Warren 11A or 11B. (P/NP grade only.) Prerequisite: student must be in the Warren College Honors Program.