

Writing Requirement Petition Information Sheet

Students in the College of Engineering may request for Writing Requirement credit up to **two** UCEAP courses only. Petitions for UC Santa Barbara courses will **not** be accepted.

Criteria for determining whether GE Writing Requirement credit should be granted:

1. Course requires one-to-three papers totaling at least 1800 words, exclusive of such elements as footnotes, table of contents, title page, equations, figures, tables, and bibliography.
2. The paper(s) cannot be part of a written examination.
3. The paper(s) must receive significant consideration in the assessment of student performance in the course and constitute at least 25% of the course grade.
4. The documents submitted should show that the course offered direct instruction in writing and/or instructor feedback on student writing.
5. The course-related documents submitted with the petition should provide evidence that the student has demonstrated proficiency with respect the [Writing Requirement learning outcomes](#).

A completed petition form must include:

1. A non-returnable copy of the syllabus from the course for the quarter in which it was completed.
2. A non-returnable copy of each paper that was written for the course.
3. A brief (1-2 paragraph) explanation of the instruction and/or feedback in writing that was provided by the course.

Answers to the most commonly asked questions:

- Papers in languages other than English will be considered.
- For students admitted for fall 1999 or later, no more than 2 petitions will be approved for EAP courses only. Approvals are granted on an individual student basis and do not apply to other students enrolled in the course.