Dear Colleagues,

As summer approaches, many UCSC students are planning to take summer courses at their local community college. It has come to my attention that many colleges are having difficulty interpreting UCSC’s Composition general education requirements, which is impeding students ability to enroll in a community college course that will satisfy our C2 requirement. I have attached an excell spreadsheet that lists community college courses that meet both the C1 and C2 requirements. The C1 requirement is satisfied by passing an ENGL 1A equivalent course with a C grade or better. The C2 requirement is satisfied by passing another UC-E course that has the ENGL 1A equivalent course as prerequisite.

The difficulty for the community college seems to lie in the identification of the UCSC courses that meet the C1 and C2 requirements. All freshman at UCSC take a Core course at their college, numbered either 80A or 80B. Please note that students do not take both 80A and 80B. These courses have been explicitly designed in conjunction with our writing faculty to stress attention to the craft of writing. Satisfactory completion of course 80A and the University English Language Writing Requirement satisfies the C1 requirement, and therefore should be considered equivalent to ENGL 1A. These courses are:

CLEI 80A
CLNI 80A
CLTE 80A
COWL 80A
CRWN 80A
KRSG 80A
MERR 80A
OAKS 80A
PRTR 80A
STEV 80A

UCSC freshman who enter UCSC with advanced writing skills or C1 equivalent coursework are exempt from course 80A and take the Core course (same rubric as above) numbered 80B, which satisfies the C2 requirement. Students who take course 80A to satisfy the C1 requirement will satisfy C2 either by taking WRIT 2 at UCSC or by completing an equivalent course at another college. They do not take 80B, which is only offered in fall quarter for first time freshman. As mentioned above, it seems that many of them are trying to take the C2 course at community college.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could share this message with counselors or others at your college who might be approached by students trying to prove that that have satisfied the ENGL 1A prerequisite for a second composition course at your college. In the future, I will add the UCSC college core courses to ASSIST to better illustrate the general education composition equivalencies. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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