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To: Provost and Vice Chancellor Elisha Baker,

University of Alaska Anchorage

Fr: Kimberly Swiantek,

**UAA** Governance Office

Re: General Course Requirements English A111

On October 3, 2014 the Faculty Senate approved the memo, brought forward by the Undergraduate Academic Board (UAB), to revise the Written Communication Skills catalog copy. Rather than require the specific course ENGLA111 and then a choice of one more course from a list, require 6 credits from one list. Since the other courses all require ENGLA111 as a pre-requisite, there is no reason to separate out ENGL A111. This will be more accurate and more student-friendly.

Please see the attached memo for more information.

If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Provost  ☐ Approved ☐ Disapproved  Comments:	
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To: Sandra Pence, GER Chair

CC: Francisco Miranda, UAB Chair

From: Lora Volden, University Registrar

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## Issue:

Current catalog language for the general course requirements for AA and AAS degrees requires all students earning these degrees to complete English A111 as one of the Written Communication Skills courses. If a student places higher than ENGL A111, they need to file a petition, and these petitions must route all the way to the provost's office.

## Proposal:

Rather than require the specific course ENGL A111 and then a choice of one more course from a list, require 6 credits from one list. Since the other courses all require ENGL A111 as a pre-requisite, there is no reason to separate out ENGL A111. This will be more accurate and more student-friendly.

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Please see the suggested catalog track changes below.

## **Catalog Change**

Written Communication Skills

Introduction to Composition and one of the following:

CIOS A260A

ENGL A111

**Business Communications** 

ENGL A211

Academic Writing About Literature

ENGL A212

**Technical Writing** 

ENGL A213

Writing in the Social and Natural Sciences

ENGL A214

Persuasive Writing