

At its meeting of March 30, 1987, the Academic Senate approved the following Policy Recommendation presented by Ruth Yaffe for the Curriculum Committee.

COMPETENCY IN WRITTEN ENGLISH FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

Amends UP F81-8.

WHEREAS In May, 1976, the Board of Trustees adopted a resolution endorsing "the principle that all students entering CSU after implementation of the proficiency/diagnostic examination be required to demonstrate their competency with regard to writing skills as a requirement for graduation," therefore be it

RESOLVED That this policy shall be implemented in the following manner:

1. The establishment of English competency shall be a requirement of Classified Graduate students as a condition necessary for advancement to candidacy for the award of the Master's Degree.

2. Competency shall be established by:

a. Satisfactory completion of the CSU baccalaureate graduation requirement of competency in written English; or

b. Satisfactory completion as a Graduate student of the San Jose State University undergraduate upper division writing requirement by passing the writing workshop waiver examination or completing satisfactorily a writing workshop; or

c. Satisfactory completion of a Graduate course of at least three units in which a major report is required (such report to be valued at a minimum of thirty (30) percent of the course grade). The courses meeting this requirement shall be evaluated by the Graduate Studies Committee for the amount of writing and the level of competence required.

d. Approval by the Graduate Studies Office of a professional publication for which the candidate was principal author; and be it finally

RESOLVED That the implementation of this policy shall begin with the spring semester, 1988. This policy shall apply to all students who achieve Classified Graduate status after September 1, 1987.

ACTION BY THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:

*Approved and Accepted as University Policy.*

*Gail Fullerton*

*April 13, 1987*