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ABSTRACT

This paper reports on a survey that examined writing pedagogy and assessment across the State University of New York (SUNY) system. The survey attempted to identify "best practices" in writing pedagogy, the extent to which these practices are being implemented, characteristics of campuses implementing these practices, and whether instruction by full-time professors is more likely to include these practices. Respondents included 3 university centers, 12 colleges, and 18 community colleges. Major findings indicated that half of the respondents have assessment under the English Department's control and half have all-campus assessment; half of composition is taught by part-time staff or teaching assistants; three-fourths of campuses have class sizes limited to 25 or less, 87 percent have a writing center; 97 percent provide writing tutors; 69 percent use writing samples to place students in composition classes; 64 percent use holistic scoring; only 18 percent use portfolio assessment for composition program evaluation; and only 12 percent require two semesters of freshman composition and two semesters of writing across the curriculum. Appendices include a map showing SUNY campus locations, detailed data on survey responses by question, cross-tabular analysis of the assessment questionnaire, and a list of respondents. (DB)

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SUMMARY COMMENTARY  
On  
*A REPORT ON WRITING PEDAGOGY AND ASSESSMENT*

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Data in this section reveals that among the campuses who responded a third have assessment under the control of the English department, another third have all-campus assessment, and the rest did not answer. Two-thirds have the responsibility for assessment in the English department, but half have results delivered to the academic community by the administration. Half use assessment results both to influence and improve teaching and learning and to enhance institutional effectiveness. As to who teaches writing, in colleges and community colleges, half of composition is taught by part-time staff. In universities, most of it is taught by TA's. Under a third of all people who teach composition have composition credentials. Around 45% have some training, on-site or otherwise, in composition pedagogy. Around half of the responding campuses pay their part-timers between \$1200 and \$2000 per course. Sometimes TA's make more than part-timers.

- ❖ Next was one question with 27 parts stated as **conditions present on the campus**. This covered diverse elements such as whether grammar is taught, whether writing centers and a WAC program exist, whether exit exams are used, and whether portfolio assessment is in place. (Question 7)

Data in this section reveal that three-fourths of the campuses have class sizes limited to 25 or less. On 91% of campuses, composition is required for graduation, but data from a later section show that some campuses require only one semester (15%) and only 12% require two composition courses and two WAC courses. Three-fourths have the writing program within the English department. More, 87%, have a writing center, but only half have that center within the English department. Most have developmental composition, and half don't count it toward graduation. Half teach no grammar in any composition classroom; another quarter teach grammar 20% of the time. A little over a fourth have exit exams for all composition courses; 30% have exit exams only for developmental courses. (Many did not answer this item). In the great majority (81%), goals and objectives are agreed on by only the composition faculty. Over a third of campuses are involved in goal assessment procedures.

On 97% of campuses, writing tutors are available; on 87% there is a word processing lab available for class sessions. Only a fourth use portfolio assessment for composition. Half the campuses have WAC programs of some kind, but only 21% make any attempt to assess them.

- ❖ Next was the section on **assessment**. (Questions 8-21)

Only a few campuses use writing assessment in the admission process or in granting equivalency for composition. Sixty-nine percent (69%) use writing samples to place students in the composition program. The others use either tests or a combination of test scores and writing samples. Thirty-nine percent (39%) measure all entering students; 33% measure only freshmen, (9%) measure only selected groups like those who do not make the cut-off score on ACT or SAT.

As to scoring approaches, the majority (64%) use holistic scoring. On a quarter of campuses, there is no exemption from composition. Sixty-nine percent (69%) accept transfer courses and 54% grant equivalency from outside test scores-ACT, SAT, CLEP, AP. The data is about equally divided on who evaluates exits from composition-half use committees and half use all composition faculty.

A quarter of the respondents use writing assessments for program evaluation and fewer use them for curriculum revision. Sixty-three percent said that there is congruence between assessment and program goals, but only half have specific program goals. Only 12% are using portfolios as a pre- or post-measure.

- ❖ Questions on **portfolio assessment particularly** came next. (Questions 22-23)

Still at this time, woefully few campuses are using portfolio assessment. Eighteen percent (18%) use it for composition program evaluation. Twelve percent (12%) use it to exempt from composition. A quarter use it for field-specific proficiency for graduation and only 3% use it for WAC program evaluation. Interestingly enough, 90% report that they have field-specified writing requirements. Thirty-six percent (36%) reported the nature of their portfolio requirements, though this is not tied to what those portfolios are used for.

- ❖ Next were questions on **the nature of writing requirements on campuses**. (Question 24-25)

Forty-five percent (45%) require 2 semesters of freshman composition; 15% only require one. Eighteen percent (18%) require 1 semester of freshman comp and 1 semester of WAC. Only 12% require two semesters of freshman composition and two semesters of WAC. All the respondents supplied names of their writing courses.

- ❖ Last were two items-**an indication of desire to participate in an e-mail discussion list and a name/address/phone** for the contact person on campus. (Questions 26-27)

Appendix D is a list of the respondents who expressed a desire for E-mail contact. Only two did not. If you did not get a copy of the full document, we will supply copies of this list to you.

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## I. INTRODUCTION:

This is the second time in recent years that writing assessment and pedagogy in the SUNY system have been studied. An earlier survey concerning writing programs and assessment in the SUNY system was conducted by Dr. Mary Lynch Kennedy of SUNY Cortland in 1992. The results of that survey were analyzed for simple counts, and a report on the results was delivered to the Council at the C.O.W. Spring Conference in 1995. At that time, the Council decided to sponsor a more extensive survey to be conducted in 1996-97. This report is on the results of that new survey.

The present survey is an elaboration of the 1992 survey form. In the process of constructing it, I also read the 1994 version of the "Missouri Writing Survey", modeling some questions on items in it.

In this survey, I attempted to elicit information on:  
freshman composition programs and their assessment,  
the amount of freshman composition being taught by part-time professors and teaching assistants  
the rates of pay for that work  
writing-across-the-curriculum programs and their assessment  
use of portfolio assessment in general in the system.

My basic purpose for conducting this survey was to reveal the state of writing pedagogy and assessment over the whole system. My research questions were:

"According to the criteria established by the profession as a whole for what comprises 'best practices' in writing pedagogy and assessment, are the practices in the SUNY system as a whole congruent with these principles?"

"According to this same criteria, on which kind of campuses in the system are 'best practices' most prevalent?"

"Are campuses where most composition is taught by full-time professors those which have best practices? (The assumption is that having composition taught by full-time professors costs much more than having composition taught by part-time professors.)"

These questions as well as others revealed during the process of data analysis yielded interesting answers.

## II. LITERATURE SURVEY

In order to facilitate answering the first two of these questions, I ran database searches in ERIC and MLA abstracts to find out whether other surveys of this kind had been done and whether there was a statement of established principles for writing programs which would be useful as a criteria set for evaluating this data.

In fact, there was a national survey on writing assessment conducted in 1992 under the auspices of the Conference on College Composition and Communication. Titled "Survey of Postsecondary Writing Assessment Practices", its results were presented at Four C's in 1993, then later published in ERIC. This survey dealt only with assessment practices in institutions of higher education in the nation, both public and private. Its results were presented in five sections: 1. Overall Results, 2. Results for Institutions of Different Sizes, 3. Results for Institutions Categorized by Public/Private Status, 4. Results for Institutions Categorized According To Their Status as 2 Year or 4 Year Institutions, and 5. Respondents' Reports of Satisfaction or Dissatisfaction Related to Selected Survey Questions.

The conclusions section of the report on this survey stated that the "portrait of writing assessment practices in the United States provided by the survey results is not always encouraging. (85)". Too many institutions were still using standardized tests for placement or graduation gatekeeping, but many of those used such tests in combination with direct writing assessment. Also, a "growing number" were using direct writing assessment alone, most timed writing assessment. A majority of those collected only one writing sample for assessment rather than a portfolio. However, faculty were involved in and/or governed writing assessment on most campuses reporting and were generally satisfied with assessment procedures on their campuses. "In general, most (75%) respondents agreed that the assessment of writing skills had a good influence on writing instruction at their campuses. (86)". Those who were not cited inadequate methods, interference with the educational process, and misrepresentation of student abilities (87).

The "Missouri Writing Survey", a survey similar to this present one has been conducted in recent years by Jané Frick, (Missouri Western University) under the auspices of the Missouri Colloquium on Writing Assessment. That survey has been conducted every year since 1989. It includes questions on writing pedagogy as well as assessment, as does this present survey.

As to statements of "best practices", College Composition and Communication (October, 1989), published a "Statement of Principles and Standards for the Postsecondary Teaching of Writing" which was approved by the CCCC Executive Committee. The statement was developed after the famous Wyoming Conference on College Composition and Communication in Laramie, Wyoming, in 1987 which produced the famous Wyoming Resolution. After a two-year study of conditions nationwide, CCCC issued this statement. In two parts, the statement deals with "Professional Standards That Promote Quality Education" and "Teaching Conditions Necessary For Quality Education". Much of this statement concerns working conditions for professionals, not a concern of our survey, but these parts of the statement are relevant:

#### 1. Professional Standards That Promote Quality Education

##### A. Full-time faculty

To provide the highest quality of instruction, departments offering composition and writing courses should rely on full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members who are both prepared for and committed to the teaching of writing. The teaching of writing courses need not be limited, however, to those faculty members whose primary area of scholarship is rhetoric and composition. Because of the significant intellectual and practical connections between reading and writing, composition and literature, it is desirable that faculty from both areas of specialization teach in the composition program. *Ideally, faculty from each area should have the training and experience necessary to teach in both the composition and literature programs.*



Whenever possible, faculty professionally committed to rhetoric and composition should coordinate and supervise composition programs. Those who supervise writing programs should also be involved in determining policy and budget for their programs.

#### B. Graduate Assistants

Graduate students' teaching experience should be understood as an essential part of their training for future professional responsibilities. They are primarily students and should never, for mere economic expediency, be used to replace tenure-line faculty in the staffing of composition programs.

Each institution should provide adequate training and supervision of graduate writing instructors, and this training should be conducted by someone with appropriate preparation or experience in rhetoric and composition.

Nearly all graduate students teaching writing in English departments are fully in charge of their classes. Because the university entrusts them with such serious responsibility...their compensation, benefits, class size and course load should be adjusted accordingly.

#### C. Part-time Faculty

CCCC and other professional associations generally recognize two legitimate reasons for hiring part-time faculty: 1. To teach specialized courses for which no regular faculty are available and which require special practical knowledge, and 2. To meet unexpected increases in enrollment. Abuses in this second category are cause for the most serious concern. *Assuring and sustaining quality in education is incompatible with relying, purely for fiscal expediency, on part-time faculty appointments in rhetoric and composition.*

When more than 10% of a department's course sections are taught by part-time faculty, the department should reconsider its hiring practices.

To assure that students receive the instructional excellence to which they have the right, the educational qualifications and experience of all part-time faculty members should meet the highest professional standards. Part-time teachers of writing should 1. Demonstrate superior writing ability, 2. Demonstrate professional involvement with composition theory and pedagogy, and

3. Present evidence in the successful teaching of composition.

They should receive a salary that accurately reflects their teaching duties and any duties outside the classroom they are asked to assume. *Compensation, per course, for part-time faculty should never be lower than per course compensation for full-time faculty with comparable experience, duties, and credentials.*

#### 2. Teaching Conditions Necessary for Quality Education

No more than 20 students should be permitted in any writing class.

Remedial or developmental sections should be limited to 15.

No English faculty member should teach more than 60 writing students in a term. In developmental writing classes, the maximum should be 45.

D. The effectiveness of classroom instruction is significantly improved by the assistance students receive in writing centers....Because these centers enhance the conditions of teachings and learning, their development and support should be an important departmental and institutional priority.

In College Composition and Communication, (October, 1990) Susan Wyche-Smith and Shirley K. Rose published "One Hundred Ways to Make the Wyoming Resolution a Reality: A Guide to Personal and Political Action". This is a list divided into eight categories advising actions which can be taken by every constituency involved from students through deans and then professional organizations and editors of professional journals. Eight years later, it is as apropos as it was in 1990,

but if people have been acting on its suggestions, their action cannot have been highly effective.

The English Council of the California State University System published its version of the CCCC Statements in College Composition and Communication, (October 1991). Their principles statement was based on a questionnaire and attitude survey distributed among the California State System's English professors. Their statement is completely reflective of the CCCC Statement with only a few additions in the area of specifying the evaluation of composition research being considered for tenure.

### III. METHODOLOGY

The survey was sent in hard copy to all 64 campuses of the system as well as Cornell University, which has some of its functions under the system. It was, as well, distributed over E-mail to the C.O.W. distribution list. I was aided in the second distribution by Dr. Norman Gayford and by DeAnna Bradford, a doctoral student at Stony Brook, who also assisted by making some follow-up calls.

I received a return of 33 surveys from both these distributions, representing a 51.5% response rate. Surveys came in from 3 university centers, (including Cornell), which represents a 60% response rate for that sub-sample. Twelve colleges responded, representing a 40% response for that sub-sample. Eighteen community colleges responded, representing a 60% response rate for that sub-sample.. (There are 4 university centers, plus Cornell. There are 30 colleges, including health science centers, colleges of technology, specialized colleges, and statutory colleges. There are 30 community colleges. (See Appendix A - State University of New York Campuses.)

As a whole, the sample is substantially larger than the minimum 10% required for descriptive research and allows generalization to the local population (Gay, 1987, 114-115.) Each of the sub-samples is also substantially larger than 10% of the population represented. The relatively high rate of return suggests that the sample can be termed unbiased.

The only major challenge to internal reliability of the data is the relatively high number of "missing" answers on the responses. Were the survey to be conducted again, a lesser number of "missing" entries could affect the results. "Missing" entries in this data can often be interpreted as "no" answers; however, that interpretation was not made in this report.

The processing was completed by entering the data yielded by these surveys into a computer program called Statistical Programs for Social Science (SPSS), a general use program for statistical research. I then ran frequencies for all the data and cross tabulations for all of the other 72 variables with the one categorical variable called "years"- community college, college, and university center.

#### IV. RESULTS

This is the survey form as it was distributed.

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#### ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

1. At your institution, \_\_\_\_\_, how is writing assessment conducted? (Attach separate sheets, if necessary, for questions 1,2,3.)
2. By whom is writing assessment conducted at your institution?
3. How are assessment results delivered to the academic community on your campus?
4. Do you use assessment results to:
  - A. Influence/improve teaching and learning \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Strengthen programs and activities \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Enhance institutional effectiveness \_\_\_\_\_
5. By whom is composition taught on your campus?
  - A. Part-time professors \_\_\_\_\_%
  - B. Full-time professors \_\_\_\_\_%
  - C. Teaching Assistants \_\_\_\_\_%
  - D. Persons with credentials in composition pedagogy \_\_\_\_\_%
  - E. Persons with on-site training in composition pedagogy \_\_\_\_\_%
  - F. Persons without credentials in composition pedagogy or on-site training \_\_\_\_\_%
6. What is the rate of pay per composition course on your campus?
  - A. Part-time professors \_\_\_\_\_ per \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Teaching Assistants \_\_\_\_\_
7. Please check the conditions in this list which exist on your campus:
  - A. Developmental composition exists \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Developmental composition counts toward graduation \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Formal grammar is taught in developmental composition classrooms \_\_\_\_\_  
(\_\_\_\_\_ % of instructional time)
  - D. Formal grammar is taught in all composition classrooms \_\_\_\_\_  
(\_\_\_\_\_ % of instructional time)
  - E. Class size in all composition classrooms is limited to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - F. One or more writing centers exist \_\_\_\_\_.
  - G. Writing center is in the English Department \_\_\_\_\_
  - H. Writing tutors are available \_\_\_\_\_

- I. Word processing lab for class sessions exists \_\_\_\_\_
- J. Composition is required for graduation \_\_\_\_\_
- K. Goals and objectives for composition are agreed upon by all composition instructors \_\_\_\_\_
- L. Goals and objectives for composition receive campus-wide input \_\_\_\_\_
- M. A writing-across-the-curriculum program exists \_\_\_\_\_
- N. Two or more writing intensive courses are required for graduation \_\_\_\_\_
- O. Course exit exams are used for all composition courses \_\_\_\_\_
- P. Course exit exams are used only for developmental courses \_\_\_\_\_
- Q. Course exit exams are used only for specified courses \_\_\_\_\_ (What are they?)
- R. Exit portfolios are used for all composition courses \_\_\_\_\_
- S. Exit portfolios are used only for developmental courses \_\_\_\_\_
- T. Exit portfolios are used only for specified courses \_\_\_\_\_ (What are they?)
- U. Exit exams are common for all sections of a course \_\_\_\_\_
- V. Exit portfolio criteria are common for all sections of a course \_\_\_\_\_
- W. Writing-across-the-curriculum is assessed \_\_\_\_\_
- X. Writing program has a set of written goals/objectives or a mission statement \_\_\_\_\_
- Y. My campus is planning or involved in goal assessment procedures \_\_\_\_\_
- Z. Writing program is within the English Department \_\_\_\_\_
- a. Writing program is under non-English Department jurisdiction \_\_\_\_\_ (Whose?)

8. What are your purposes for assessing student writing?

- A. College admission (e.g. Application essays) \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Placement \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Freshman composition equivalence credit \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Exit from developmental or regular composition courses \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Evaluation of two-year program \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Certification of writing proficiency \_\_\_\_\_
- Rising junior level \_\_\_\_\_
- Upper division level \_\_\_\_\_
- Major field level \_\_\_\_\_
- Graduation gatekeeper \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Program evaluation \_\_\_\_\_

9. What kinds of measures do you use to place students in writing courses?

- A. Tests (short-answer, multiple-choice, or true-false) \_\_\_\_\_
- Commercially prepared tests \_\_\_\_\_ (Which one?)
- B. Writing sample \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Combination of these \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Portfolio (in some classes) \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Please describe.)

Will you enclose a copy of a prompt recently used on your placement test?

10. Which students do you measure?
- A. All students entering the college, freshmen and transfers \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Graduating students \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Freshmen only \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. Transfers only \_\_\_\_\_
  - E. Selected groups (e.g., bottom 10% of freshmen) \_\_\_\_\_ (Please describe groups.)
11. What scoring approach is used in writing assessment on your campus?
- A. Analytical \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. General impression: holistic \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. General impression: primary trait \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. Other \_\_\_\_\_ (what kind?)
12. Do you use different measures for placement and for equivalency?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_
- No \_\_\_\_\_
13. How do students gain equivalency credit or composition waivers?
- A. Cannot. All students must take composition \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Outside course work (e.g., AP, CLEP) \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Standardized test scores (e.g., SAT, ACT) \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. Portfolios \_\_\_\_\_
  - E. Courses transferred from other campuses \_\_\_\_\_
  - F. Placement writing sample \_\_\_\_\_
  - G. Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Explain?)
14. Who evaluates common exit exams, placement exams, or portfolios?
- A. All faculty teaching composition \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Special committee \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you assess writing at upper-division entry level?
- A. By test \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. By portfolio \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Do not \_\_\_\_\_
16. Do you assess at upper division exit level?
- A. By test \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. By portfolio \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Do not \_\_\_\_\_
17. What purposes do these assessments serve?
- A. Program evaluation \_\_\_\_\_
  - B. Graduation barrier \_\_\_\_\_
  - C. Further study barrier \_\_\_\_\_
  - D. Other \_\_\_\_\_ (Explain?)

18. What is done with the results?

- A. Curriculum revision\_\_\_\_\_
- B. Program evaluation\_\_\_\_\_
- C. Require remediation for individuals\_\_\_\_\_
- D. Other\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain?)

19. Is there congruence between your program goals and your assessment measures?

- Yes\_\_\_\_\_
- No\_\_\_\_\_

20. Are your program goals specific?

- Specific\_\_\_\_\_
- General\_\_\_\_\_

21. Which of these pre- and post-measures do you use?

- A. None\_\_\_\_\_
- B. Quantitative\_\_\_\_\_
- C. Writing samples\_\_\_\_\_
- D. Portfolios\_\_\_\_\_
- E. Combination\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain?)
- F. Other\_\_\_\_\_ (Explain?)

22. For what purpose do you use portfolio assessment?

- A. We do not\_\_\_\_\_
- B. Placement \_\_\_\_\_
- C. Exemption or equivalency for composition\_\_\_\_\_
- D. Exit from freshman composition\_\_\_\_\_
- E. Goals assessment for composition\_\_\_\_\_
- F. Program evaluation documentation\_\_\_\_\_
- G. Field-specific writing proficiency for graduation\_\_\_\_\_
- H. Writing-across-the-curriculum program evaluation\_\_\_\_\_

23. Describe your portfolio requirements:

- A. Cover sheet
  - Unspecified\_\_\_\_\_
  - One sheet for whole portfolio\_\_\_\_\_
  - One sheet for each essay\_\_\_\_\_
- B. Contents
  - Unspecified\_\_\_\_\_ 3\_\_\_\_\_ 6 or more\_\_\_\_\_
  - 1\_\_\_\_\_ 4\_\_\_\_\_
  - 2\_\_\_\_\_ 5\_\_\_\_\_
- C. Drafts
  - Unspecified\_\_\_\_\_
  - Final drafts only\_\_\_\_\_
  - Preliminary drafts and revisions\_\_\_\_\_

24. What is the writing requirement on your campus?
- A. Freshman year:  
number of semesters \_\_\_\_\_
- B. After freshman year, but not WAC or Writing Intensive: number of semesters \_\_\_\_\_
- C. WAC or Writing Intensive:  
number of semesters \_\_\_\_\_
- D. What are the names of your writing courses?

26. Would you like to participate in a state-wide e-mail discussion list focusing on the issues covered in this questionnaire?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_

No \_\_\_\_\_

27. Will you supply your name or that of a willing contact person on your campus?

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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See Appendix B for the frequency count tables on all survey answers. Appendix C contains cross tabulations for each variable accruing to each question by type of institution. Information for contact persons on each responding campus is not part of Appendix B or C. For that list, which also comprises a list of those who responded to the survey, see Appendix D.

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(Question 7)

Next was the section on assessment. (Questions 8-21)

Questions on portfolio assessment particularly came next. (Questions 22-23)

Next were questions on the nature of writing requirements on campuses. (Question 24-25)

Last were two items-an indication of desire to participate in an e-mail discussion list and a name/address/phone for the contact person on campus. (Questions 26-27)

I have chosen to interpret the results using the rubric of relevant material from the *Principles*.

To deal with each of the survey's 74 variables in this section would be counterproductive. The cross

tabulations are as user-friendly as my colleague and I could make them. Further interpretation of them can be done on future occasions in new reports or by individual readers.

Here is the interpretation of our data in the light of each principle:

*To provide the highest quality of instruction, departments offering composition and writing courses should rely on full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty members who are both prepared for and committed to the teaching of writing. The teaching of writing courses need not be limited, however, to those faculty members whose primary area of scholarship is rhetoric and composition. Because of the significant intellectual and practical connections between reading and writing, composition and literature, it is desirable that faculty from both areas of specialization teach in the composition program.*

In the crosstabs for question 5, we see that there is a fairly wide range of evidence on how we are measuring up to this principle.

In universities, TA's do between 66% and 85% of the teaching of composition. Part-timers do 12% to 20%. Full-time faculty do 0% to 33%.

In community colleges, there are a few less full-time than part-time professors teaching. About 54% have above half their composition taught by part-time faculty.

In colleges, 50% of the responding sites have under half and 50% over half their composition taught by part-timers. Full-time faculty teaching composition ranges between 10% and 100%.

*Ideally, faculty from each area should have the training and experience necessary to teach in both the composition and literature programs.*

In community colleges, 83% have less than 50% of faculty teaching composition with credentials, with 44% of faculty teaching composition having no composition credentials. In colleges, 100% have 50% or less with composition credentials. And 66% of universities have 50% or less with credentials.

In community colleges, only 5% have everyone teaching composition go through on-site training, and 61% have no on-site training. In colleges, only 16% have all composition teachers on-site trained, and 33% have no on-site trained people. Universities do best here with all of them having over 95% trained on-site.

*Whenever possible, faculty professionally committed to rhetoric and composition should coordinate and supervise composition programs. Those who supervise writing programs should also be involved in determining policy and budget for their programs.*

Two other question 7 variables tell us that goals and objectives for composition receive campus-wide input in 24% of community colleges, a third of colleges, and two thirds of universities, but goals and objectives are agreed on by only comp instructors in 95% of community colleges, and in two thirds each of colleges and universities. Certainly in community colleges, composition instructors seem to be in charge of their programs.

## B. Graduate Assistants

*Graduate students' teaching experience should be understood as an essential part of their training for future professional responsibilities. They are primarily students and should never, for mere economic expediency, be used to replace tenure-line faculty in the staffing of composition programs.*

*Each institution should provide adequate training and supervision of graduate writing instructors, and this training*



*should be conducted by someone with appropriate preparation or experience in rhetoric and composition. Nearly all graduate students teaching writing in English departments are fully in charge of their classes. Because the university entrusts them with such serious responsibility...their compensation, benefits, class size and course load should be adjusted accordingly.*

Two of the 3 university centers paid their TA's above \$4500. I did not ask how far above!

#### Part-time Faculty

*CCCC and other professional associations generally recognize two legitimate reasons for hiring part-time faculty: 1. To teach specialized courses for which no regular faculty are available and which require special practical knowledge, and 2. To meet unexpected increases in enrollment. Abuses in this second category are cause for the most serious concern. Assuring and sustaining quality in education is incompatible with relying, purely for fiscal expediency, on part-time faculty appointments in rhetoric and composition.*

*When more than 10% of a department's course sections are taught by part-time faculty, the department should reconsider its hiring practices.*

In colleges, 50% of the responding sites have under half and 50% over half their composition taught by part-timers. Full-time faculty teaching composition ranges between 10% and 100%. So there is a campus in the system which barely meets the 10% standard of the *Principles*, but then there is also at least one college where all composition is taught by full-time faculty.

*To assure that students receive the instructional excellence to which they have the right, the educational qualifications and experience of all part-time faculty members should meet the highest professional standards. Part-time teachers of writing should 1. Demonstrate superior writing ability, 2. Demonstrate professional involvement with composition theory and pedagogy, and 3. Present evidence in the successful teaching of composition.*

*They should receive a salary that accurately reflects their teaching duties and any duties outside the classroom they are asked to assume. Compensation, per course, for part-time faculty should never be lower than per course compensation for full-time faculty with comparable experience, duties, and credentials.*

#### About the matter of part-time pay :

11% of community colleges pay less than \$1200 per course. 61% pay \$1200-2000. 28% pay \$2001-2999.

33% of colleges pay \$1200-2000. 50% pay \$2001-2999.

Universities pay about the same as colleges, but 66% pay TA's more than \$4500. Often, then, TA's make more than part-timers.

#### 2. Teaching Conditions Necessary for Quality Education

*No more than 20 students should be permitted in any writing class.*

*Remedial or developmental sections should be limited to 15. No English faculty member should teach more than 60 writing students in a term. In developmental writing classes, the maximum should be 45.*

The first variable in question 7 says that 55% of community colleges, 92% of colleges, and all universities have composition class sizes under 25.

*The effectiveness of classroom instruction is significantly improved by the assistance students receive in writing centers....Because these centers enhance the conditions of teachings and learning, their development and support should be an important departmental and institutional priority.*

In 88% of community colleges, 83% of colleges, and 100% of universities, there is a writing center. That center is housed in the English department, however, in only half of community colleges, 25% of colleges, and a third of universities. Centers not housed in the English department are sometimes not controlled by English department needs.

## V. Conclusions

### A. Research Question One:

“According to the criteria established by the profession as a whole for what comprises ‘best principles’ in writing pedagogy and assessment, are the practices in the SUNY system as a whole in congruence with these principles?”

We have a lot of writing centers, and our classes sizes are within shouting distance of 20. We still have too much composition being taught by part-time people and TA's. We do not pay our part-time faculty or our TA's well enough. Some of us are in control of our own goals and objectives, but not as many are in control of the writing center. Not nearly enough of us have credentialed writing professors OR on-site training for our writing teachers.

### B. Research Question Two:

“According to this same criteria, on which kind of campuses in the system are ‘best principles most prevalent’?”

Considering ourselves in the light of the 1989 *Statement of Principles*, community colleges seem to be the place where we are doing best, except in the matter of pay for part-time faculty. In the university centers, composition is still being taught by TA's. That is not necessarily a bad thing since TA's may receive closer supervision than part-time faculty. Universities, of course, have plenty of on-site training for composition teachers.

### C. Research Question Three:

“Are campuses where most composition is taught by full-time professors those who have best practices? (The assumption is that having composition taught by full-time professors costs much more than having composition taught by part-time professors.)”

The “Statement” cites 10% of the composition program being taught by part-time faculty as an ideal limit. Only 11% of community colleges have as little as 10% taught by part-timers. 16% of colleges have 10% or less. 66% of universities fit this criteria, because their composition is taught by TA's.

The data are not clear enough to make a conclusive statement on this question without a consensual working definition on what constitutes “best practices”.

This report points to several further directions for research:

1. A codification of best practices within the SUNY system.
2. Yearly or bi-yearly distribution of surveys to produce a longitudinal study of writing assessment and pedagogy.
3. Definition of "student success" and inclusion in future surveys.
4. Development of a survey that is more conducive to computer analysis.

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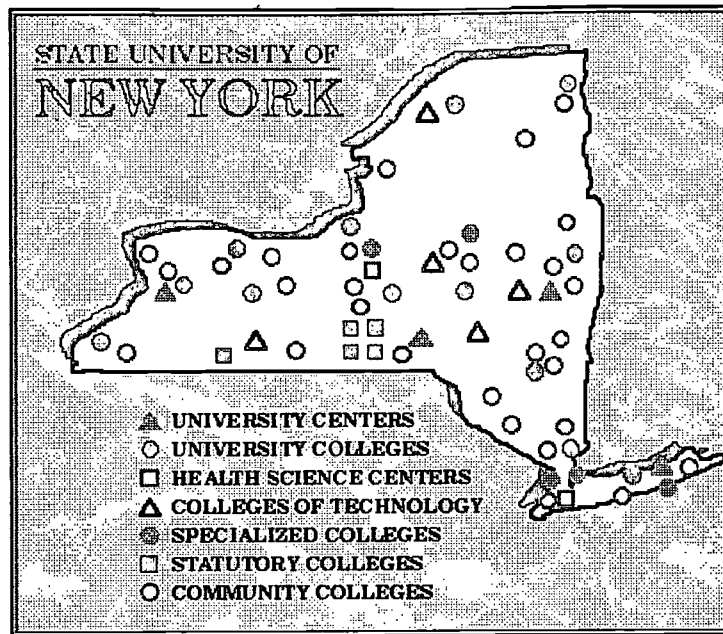
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## APPENDIX A



### State University of New York campuses

State University of New York's 64 campuses are geographically dispersed and bring educational opportunity within commuting distance of virtually all New York citizens. SUNY campuses comprise the nation's most diverse system of public higher education.

#### Alphabetical list of SUNY Campuses

- University Centers

Albany  
Binghamton  
Buffalo  
Stony Brook

- University Colleges

Brockport  
Buffalo  
Cortland  
Empire State College  
Fredonia  
Geneseo  
New Paltz  
Old Westbury  
Oneonta  
Oswego

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Plattsburgh  
Potsdam  
Purchase

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• Health Science Centers

Brooklyn  
Syracuse

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• Colleges of Technology

Alfred  
Canton  
Cobleskill  
Delhi  
Morrisville

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• Specialized Colleges

College of Environmental Science and Forestry  
College of Technology at Farmingdale  
Maritime College  
College of Optometry  
Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome

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• Statutory Colleges

College of Ceramics at Alfred  
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell  
School of Industrial and Labor Relations at Cornell  
College of Veterinary Medicine at Cornell  
College of Human Ecology at Cornell

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• Community Colleges

Adirondack  
Broome  
Cayuga County  
Clinton  
Columbia-Greene  
Corning  
Dutchess

Erie  
Fashion Institute of Technology  
Finger Lakes  
Fulton-Montgomery  
Genesee  
Herkimer County  
Hudson Valley  
Jamestown  
Jefferson  
Mohawk Valley  
Monroe  
Nassau  
Niagara County  
North Country  
Onondaga  
Orange County  
Rockland  
Schenectady County  
Suffolk County  
Sullivan County  
Tompkins Cortland  
Ulster County  
Westchester

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Members of the SUNY Community are encouraged to register their World Wide Web and other information services of interest to the public and the SUNY community.



## Appendix B: Frequencies

### Use of Assessment Results

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Influence-Improve Teaching-Learning	4	12.1	12.1	12.1
	Enhance instutional effectiveness	1	3.0	3.0	15.2
	All the above	19	57.6	57.6	72.7
	Missing	9	27.3	27.3	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

### student writing assessed in college admission

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	4	12.1	12.1	12.1
	no	3	9.1	9.1	21.2
	missing	26	78.8	78.8	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

### writing assessment used in comp placement

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	23	69.7	69.7	69.7
	no	2	6.1	6.1	75.8
	missing	8	24.2	24.2	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

### class sizes are under 25

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	24	72.7	72.7	72.7
	no	5	15.2	15.2	87.9
	missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**writing assessment used in granting composition equivalency**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	5	15.2	15.2	15.2
no	7	21.2	21.2	36.4
missing	21	63.6	63.6	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**comp required for graduation**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	30	90.9	90.9	90.9
no	2	6.1	6.1	97.0
missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Percent having composition credentials**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	10	30.3	30.3	30.3
2	1	3.0	3.0	33.3
3	3	9.1	9.1	42.4
5	2	6.1	6.1	48.5
6	1	3.0	3.0	51.5
10	2	6.1	6.1	57.6
15	2	6.1	6.1	63.6
20	2	6.1	6.1	69.7
25	1	3.0	3.0	72.7
30	1	3.0	3.0	75.8
40	1	3.0	3.0	78.8
50	3	9.1	9.1	87.9
70	1	3.0	3.0	90.9
100	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**developmental comp cpunts toward graduation**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	9	27.3	27.3	27.3
no	18	54.5	54.5	81.8
Missing	6	18.2	18.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		



**developmental comp exists**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	27	81.8	81.8	81.8
no	5	15.2	15.2	97.0
missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Method of Delivery**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid English Dept.	6	18.2	18.2	18.2
Administration	17	51.5	51.5	69.7
not delivered	3	9.1	9.1	78.8
Missing	7	21.2	21.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**the writing center is in the English department**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	13	39.4	39.4	39.4
no	17	51.5	51.5	90.9
missing	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**exit exams are common for all courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	4	12.1	12.1	12.1
no	12	36.4	36.4	48.5
missing	17	51.5	51.5	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**writing assessment is used for exit from developmental and regular composition courses.**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
no	3	9.1	9.1	63.6
missing	12	36.4	36.4	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**course exit exams are required for all composition courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	9	27.3	27.3	27.3
no	10	30.3	30.3	57.6
missing	14	42.4	42.4	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**course exit exams are required only for developmental comp**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	10	30.3	30.3	30.3
no	9	27.3	27.3	57.6
missing	14	42.4	42.4	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**exit exams are used only for specified courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	4	12.1	12.1	12.1
no	6	18.2	18.2	30.3
missing	23	69.7	69.7	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**exit portfolio criteria are common for all courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	7	21.2	21.2	21.2
no	7	21.2	21.2	42.4
missing	19	57.6	57.6	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**exit portfolios used only for developmental courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	3	9.1	9.1	9.1
no	8	24.2	24.2	33.3
missing	22	66.7	66.7	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**exit portfolios used only for specified courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	10	30.3	30.3	30.3
no	5	15.2	15.2	45.5
missing	18	54.5	54.5	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Exit portfolios are used for all comp courses**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	8	24.2	24.2	24.2
no	5	15.2	15.2	39.4
missing	20	60.6	60.6	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Percent taught by full time professors**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	1	3.0	3.0	3.0
10	2	6.1	6.1	9.1
20	1	3.0	3.0	12.1
25	2	6.1	6.1	18.2
30	1	3.0	3.0	21.2
33	1	3.0	3.0	24.2
40	2	6.1	6.1	30.3
42	1	3.0	3.0	33.3
43	1	3.0	3.0	36.4
50	9	27.3	27.3	63.6
55	1	3.0	3.0	66.7
60	2	6.1	6.1	72.7
71	1	3.0	3.0	75.8
75	1	3.0	3.0	78.8
80	3	9.1	9.1	87.9
90	2	6.1	6.1	93.9
100	2	6.1	6.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**goals and objectives are receive campus-wide input**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	10	30.3	30.3	30.3
no	13	39.4	39.4	69.7
missing	10	30.3	30.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**goals and objectives agreed on only by comp instructors**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	27	81.8	81.8	81.8
no	3	9.1	9.1	90.9
missing	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Percent of time Grammar is taught in all composition classrooms**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
1	1	3.0	3.0	57.6
10	2	6.1	6.1	63.6
15	1	3.0	3.0	66.7
20	8	24.2	24.2	90.9
25	1	3.0	3.0	93.9
40	1	3.0	3.0	97.0
75	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**grammar is taught in all developmental comp classrooms**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	16	48.5	48.5	48.5
20	7	21.2	21.2	69.7
25	2	6.1	6.1	75.8
30	2	6.1	6.1	81.8
35	1	3.0	3.0	84.8
40	1	3.0	3.0	87.9
50	1	3.0	3.0	90.9
60	1	3.0	3.0	93.9
75	2	6.1	6.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**my campus is currently involved or planning to get in involved in goal assessment procedures**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	13	39.4	39.4	39.4
no	4	12.1	12.1	51.5
missing	16	48.5	48.5	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Kinds of students measured**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid All entering students	13	39.4	39.4	39.4
Graduating students	1	3.0	3.0	42.4
Freshmen only	11	33.3	33.3	75.8
Selected groups	3	9.1	9.1	84.8
Missing	5	15.2	15.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Method of assessment**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid English Dept	12	36.4	36.4	36.4
All College	11	33.3	33.3	69.7
no assessment	1	3.0	3.0	72.7
Missing	9	27.3	27.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

Percentage having no training in composition

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	14	42.4	42.4	42.4
	2	1	3.0	3.0	45.5
	3	2	6.1	6.1	51.5
	10	1	3.0	3.0	54.5
	15	1	3.0	3.0	57.6
	20	2	6.1	6.1	63.6
	50	3	9.1	9.1	72.7
	80	1	3.0	3.0	75.8
	95	2	6.1	6.1	81.8
	99	1	3.0	3.0	84.8
	100	5	15.2	15.2	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

Percent taught by part time professors

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	3	9.1	9.1	9.1
	10	2	6.1	6.1	15.2
	12	1	3.0	3.0	18.2
	20	4	12.1	12.1	30.3
	25	2	6.1	6.1	36.4
	29	1	3.0	3.0	39.4
	30	1	3.0	3.0	42.4
	40	2	6.1	6.1	48.5
	45	1	3.0	3.0	51.5
	50	9	27.3	27.3	78.8
	57	1	3.0	3.0	81.8
	60	1	3.0	3.0	84.8
	70	1	3.0	3.0	87.9
	75	2	6.1	6.1	93.9
	80	1	3.0	3.0	97.0
	90	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Pay for course-partime instructors**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Less than \$1200	2	6.1	6.1	6.1
	\$1200 to \$2000	16	48.5	48.5	54.5
	\$2001 to 2999	12	36.4	36.4	90.9
	Missing	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Pay for Teaching Assistants**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	More than \$4500	2	6.1	6.1	6.1
	\$3500 to \$4499	1	3.0	3.0	9.1
	Missing	30	90.9	90.9	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Place students in writing courses with tests**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	13	39.4	39.4	39.4
	no	7	21.2	21.2	60.6
	missing	13	39.4	39.4	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Student writing assessments used for program evaluation.**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	9	27.3	27.3	27.3
	no	6	18.2	18.2	45.5
	missing	18	54.5	54.5	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Percent having on site training**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	15	45.5	45.5	45.5
	3	1	3.0	3.0	48.5
	20	1	3.0	3.0	51.5
	30	1	3.0	3.0	54.5
	35	1	3.0	3.0	57.6
	40	1	3.0	3.0	60.6
	50	4	12.1	12.1	72.7
	75	1	3.0	3.0	75.8
	90	1	3.0	3.0	78.8
	95	2	6.1	6.1	84.8
	100	5	15.2	15.2	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**Percent taught by Teaching Assistants**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	0	28	84.8	84.8	84.8
	30	1	3.0	3.0	87.9
	33	1	3.0	3.0	90.9
	66	1	3.0	3.0	93.9
	70	1	3.0	3.0	97.0
	85	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**writing tutors are available**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	32	97.0	97.0	97.0
	missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		

**writing across the curriculum courses are assessed**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	yes	7	21.2	21.2	21.2
	no	7	21.2	21.2	42.4
	missing	19	57.6	57.6	100.0
	Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total		33	100.0		



**a writing across the curriculum program exists**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
no	8	24.2	24.2	78.8
missing	7	21.2	21.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**two or more writing intensive courses are required for graduation**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	21	63.6	63.6	63.6
1	1	3.0	3.0	66.7
2	11	33.3	33.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**whoass**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid English dept	21	63.6	63.6	63.6
administration	6	18.2	18.2	81.8
Missing	6	18.2	18.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**a word processing lab exists for class sessions**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 0	3	9.1	9.1	9.1
1	29	87.9	87.9	97.0
2	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**the writing program is within the English department**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	25	75.8	75.8	75.8
no	3	9.1	9.1	84.8
missing	5	15.2	15.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**writing program under non-english jurisdiction**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	7	21.2	21.2	21.2
no	4	12.1	12.1	33.3
missing	22	66.7	66.7	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**writing program has a written set of goal;ls and objectives**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	19	57.6	57.6	57.6
no	2	6.1	6.1	63.6
missing	12	36.4	36.4	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Students are placed in composition courses through writing samples**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	22	66.7	66.7	66.7
no	3	9.1	9.1	75.8
missing	8	24.2	24.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**a writing center exists**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Yes	29	87.9	87.9	87.9
No	1	3.0	3.0	90.9
Missing	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Type**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Community College	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
College	12	36.4	36.4	90.9
University	3	9.1	9.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Analytical scoring is used on this campus**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	13	39.4	39.4	39.4
no	16	48.5	48.5	87.9
missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**use results for curriculum revision**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	6	18.2	18.2	18.2
no	4	12.1	12.1	30.3
missing	23	69.7	69.7	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**There is congruence between program goals and assessment**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	21	63.6	63.6	63.6
no	4	12.1	12.1	75.8
missing	8	24.2	24.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**All composition faculty evaluate exit from composition**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	14	42.4	42.4	42.4
no	14	42.4	42.4	84.8
missing	5	15.2	15.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**General impression holistic scoring is used on this campus**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	21	63.6	63.6	63.6
no	8	24.2	24.2	87.9
missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**There is no exemption from composition**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	8	24.2	24.2	24.2
no	25	75.8	75.8	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Number of semesters of writing required**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 2 freshman comp	15	45.5	45.5	45.5
upper level	3	9.1	9.1	54.5
2 fr + 2 WAC	4	12.1	12.1	66.7
1 freshman comp	5	15.2	15.2	81.8
1 fres + 1 WAC	6	18.2	18.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**will participate in E-mail state list**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	25	75.8	75.8	75.8
no	8	24.2	24.2	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Students can gain equivalency by placement tests**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	6	18.2	18.2	18.2
no	25	75.8	75.8	93.9
missing	2	6.1	6.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**use portfolios for program evaluation in composition program**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	6	18.2	18.2	18.2
no	2	6.1	6.1	24.2
missing	25	75.8	75.8	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**use portfolios for exemption from composition**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	4	12.1	12.1	12.1
no	28	84.8	84.8	97.0
missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**use portfolios for field-specific proficiency for graduation**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	8	24.2	25.0	25.0
no	17	51.5	53.1	78.1
missing	7	21.2	21.9	100.0
Total	32	97.0	100.0	
Missing System Missing	1	3.0		
Total	1	3.0		
Total	33	100.0		

**portfolio requirements specified**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	12	36.4	36.4	36.4
no	9	27.3	27.3	63.6
missing	12	36.4	36.4	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

use portfolios for wac program evaluation

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	1	3.0	3.0	3.0
no	22	66.7	66.7	69.7
missing	10	30.3	30.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

Pre and Post Measures Used

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid None	5	15.2	15.2	15.2
Writing Sample	9	27.3	27.3	42.4
Portfolios	4	12.1	12.1	54.5
Combination	4	12.1	12.1	66.7
Other	1	3.0	3.0	69.7
Missing	10	30.3	30.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

Primary trait scoring is used on this campus

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	9	27.3	27.3	27.3
no	20	60.6	60.6	87.9
missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

Program Goals

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid Specific	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
General	5	15.2	15.2	69.7
missing	10	30.3	30.3	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Students can gain equivalency by outside course work or standardized test scores**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	18	54.5	54.5	54.5
no	13	39.4	39.4	93.9
missing	2	6.1	6.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Transferred courses provide Exemption**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	23	69.7	69.7	69.7
no	9	27.3	27.3	97.0
missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**Assessment is done at upperdivision entry level**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	1	3.0	3.0	3.0
no	28	84.8	84.8	87.9
missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**writing is assessed at upperdivision levels**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	3	9.1	9.1	9.1
no	26	78.8	78.8	87.9
missing	4	12.1	12.1	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

**names of writing courses given**

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	33	100.0	100.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		

Writing requirement field- specified

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid yes	30	90.9	90.9	90.9
no	2	6.1	6.1	97.0
missing	1	3.0	3.0	100.0
Total	33	100.0	100.0	
Total	33	100.0		



## APPENDIX C

### ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE WITH CROSSTABULAR ANALYSIS

#### 1. At your institution, how is writing assessment conducted?

Method of assessment \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Method of assessment	English Dept	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	5 41.7%		12 36.4%
	All College	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	3 25.0%	2 66.7%	11 33.3%
	no assessment	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	Missing	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	9 27.3%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

#### 2. By whom is writing assessment conducted at your institution?

Who Assesses Writing \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Who Assesses Writing	English dept	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	7 58.3%	3 100.0%	21 63.6%
	administration	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	1 8.3%		6 18.2%
	Missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	4 33.3%		6 18.2%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**3. How are assessment results delivered to the academic community on your campus?**

**Method of Delivery \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Method of Delivery	English Dept.	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	6 18.2%
	Administration	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	6 50.0%		17 51.5%
	not delivered	Count % within Type	3 16.7%			3 9.1%
	Missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	7 21.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**4. Do you use assessment results to:**

**Use of Assessment Results \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Use of Assessment Results	Influence-Improve Teaching-Learning	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
	Enhance instutional effectiveness	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	All the above	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	19 57.6%
	Missing	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	9 27.3%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

5. By whom is composition taught on your campus?

Percent having composition credentials \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent having composition credentials	0	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	2 16.7%		10 30.3%
	2	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	3	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	5	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	6	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	10	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	15	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	20	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%		2 6.1%
	25	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	30	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	50	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%
	70	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	100	Count % within Type	2 11.1%		1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Count % within Type</b>	<b>18 100.0%</b>	<b>12 100.0%</b>	<b>3 100.0%</b>	<b>33 100.0%</b>

Percent taught by full time professors \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent taught by full time professors	0	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	10	Count % within Type		1 8.3%	1 33.3%	2 6.1%
	20	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	25	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%		2 6.1%
	30	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	33	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	42	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	43	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	50	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	2 16.7%		9 27.3%
	55	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	60	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	71	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	75	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	80	Count % within Type	3 16.7%			3 9.1%
	90	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	100	Count % within		2		2

Percentage having no training in composition \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percentage having no training in composition	0	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	2 16.7%	3 100.0%	14 42.4%
	2	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	3	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	10	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	15	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	20	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%		2 6.1%
	50	Count % within Type		3 25.0%		3 9.1%
	80	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	95	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	99	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	100	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	2 16.7%		5 15.2%
	<b>Total</b>	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

Percent taught by part time professors \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent taught by part time professors	0	Count % within Type		2 16.7%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	10	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	12	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	20	Count % within Type	3 16.7%		1 33.3%	4 12.1%
	25	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	29	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	30	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	45	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	50	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	2 16.7%		9 27.3%
	57	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	60	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	70	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	75	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%		2 6.1%
	80	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	90	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	<b>Total</b>	Count % within	18	12	3	33

**Percent having on site training \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent having on site training	0	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	4 33.3%		15 45.5%
	3	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	20	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	30	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	35	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	50	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
	75	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	90	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	95	Count % within Type		1 8.3%	1 33.3%	2 6.1%
	100	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	5 15.2%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Count % within Type</b>	<b>18 100.0%</b>	<b>12 100.0%</b>	<b>3 100.0%</b>	<b>33 100.0%</b>

**Percent taught by Teaching Assistants \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent taught by Teaching Assistants	0	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	10 83.3%		28 84.8%
	30	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	33	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	66	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	70	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
	85	Count % within Type			1 33.3%	1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**6. What is the rate of pay per composition course on your campus?**

**Pay for course-partime instructors \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Pay for course-partime instructors	Less than \$1200	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	\$1200 to \$2000	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	16 48.5%
	\$2001 to 2999	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	6 50.0%	1 33.3%	12 36.4%
	Missing	Count % within Type		2 16.7%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%



**Pay for Teaching Assistants \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Pay for Teaching Assistants	More than \$4500	Count % within Type			2 66.7%	2 6.1%
	\$3500 to \$4499	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	Missing	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	11 91.7%	1 33.3%	30 90.9%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**7. Please check the conditions in this list which exist on your campus:**

**class sizes are under 25 \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
class sizes are under 25	yes	Count % within Type	10 55.6%	11 91.7%	3 100.0%	24 72.7%
	no	Count % within Type	5 27.8%			5 15.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%		4 12.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

developmental comp exists \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
developmental comp exists	yes	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	6 50.0%	3 100.0%	27 81.8%
	no	Count % within Type		5 41.7%		5 15.2%
	missing	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

the writing center is in the English department \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
the writing center is in the English department	yes	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
	no	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	7 58.3%	2 66.7%	17 51.5%
	missing	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**exit exams are common for all courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
exit exams are common for all courses	yes	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
	no	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	4 33.3%	3 100.0%	12 36.4%
	missing	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	6 50.0%		17 51.5%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**course exit exams are required for all composition courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
course exit exams are required for all composition courses	yes	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	3 25.0%		9 27.3%
	no	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
	missing	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	5 41.7%	1 33.3%	14 42.4%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

course exit exams are required only for developmental comp \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
course exit exams are required only for developmental comp	yes	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	1 8.3%		10 30.3%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	3 25.0%	3 100.0%	9 27.3%
	missing	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	8 66.7%		14 42.4%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

exit exams are used only for specified courses \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
exit exams are used only for specified courses	yes	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	1 8.3%	3 100.0%	6 18.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	9 75.0%		23 69.7%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**exit portfolio criteria are common for all courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
exit portfolio criteria are common for all courses	yes	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	7 21.2%
	no	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	1 8.3%	2 66.7%	7 21.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	12 66.7%	7 58.3%		19 57.6%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**exit portfolios used only for developmental courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
exit portfolios used only for developmental courses	yes	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	no	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	8 24.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	9 75.0%		22 66.7%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**exit portfolios used only for specified courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
exit portfolios used only for specified courses	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%	1 33.3%	5 15.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	7 58.3%		18 54.5%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Exit portfolios are used for all comp courses \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Exit portfolios are used for all comp courses	yes	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	1 8.3%	2 66.7%	5 15.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	7 58.3%		20 60.6%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**goals and objectives receive campus-wide input \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
goals and objectives receive campus wide input	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
	no	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
	missing	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	5 41.7%		10 30.3%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**goals and objectives agreed on only by comp instructors \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
goals and objectives agreed on only by comp instructors	yes	Count % within Type	17 94.4%	8 66.7%	2 66.7%	27 81.8%
	no	Count % within Type		2 16.7%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

Percent of time Grammar is taught in all composition classrooms \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent of time Grammar is taught in all composition classrooms	0	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	8 66.7%	3 100.0%	18 54.5%
	1	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	10	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	15	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	20	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	2 16.7%		8 24.2%
	25	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	75	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Count % within Type</b>	<b>18 100.0%</b>	<b>12 100.0%</b>	<b>3 100.0%</b>	<b>33 100.0%</b>



Percent of time Grammar is taught in all composition classrooms \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Percent of time Grammar is taught in all composition classrooms	0	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	8 66.7%	3 100.0%	18 54.5%
	1	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	10	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	15	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	20	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	2 16.7%		8 24.2%
	25	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	75	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	<b>Total</b>	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

grammar is taught in all developmental comp classrooms \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
grammar is taught in all developmental comp classrooms	0	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	8 66.7%	3 100.0%	16 48.5%
	20	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	2 16.7%		7 21.2%
	25	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	30	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	35	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	40	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	50	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	60	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	75	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>Count % within Type</b>	<b>18 100.0%</b>	<b>12 100.0%</b>	<b>3 100.0%</b>	<b>33 100.0%</b>	

**my campus is currently involved or planning to get in involved in goal assessment procedures \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
my campus is currently involved or planning to get in involved in goal assessment procedures	yes	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	7 58.3%		13 39.4%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%		2 66.7%	4 12.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	10 55.6%	5 41.7%	1 33.3%	16 48.5%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**writing tutors are available \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing tutors are available	yes	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	11 91.7%	3 100.0%	32 97.0%
	missing	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**writing across the curriculum courses are assessed \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing across the curriculum courses are assessed	yes	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	7 21.2%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	7 21.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	6 50.0%		19 57.6%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**a writing across the curriculum program exists \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
a writing across the curriculum program exists	yes	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	7 58.3%	2 66.7%	18 54.5%
	no	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	3 25.0%		7 21.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**two or more writing intensive courses are required for graduation \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total	
			Community College	College	University		
two or more writing intensive courses are required for graduation	0	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	5 41.7%	1 33.3%	21 63.6%	
	1	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%	
	2	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	11 33.3%	
<b>Total</b>			Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**a word processing lab exists for class sessions \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total	
			Community College	College	University		
a word processing lab exists for class sessions	0	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%	
	1	Count % within Type	16 88.9%	10 83.3%	3 100.0%	29 87.9%	
	2	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%	
<b>Total</b>			Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

the writing program is within the English department \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
the writing program is within the English department	yes	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	9 75.0%	1 33.3%	25 75.8%
	no	Count % within Type	1 5.6%		2 66.7%	3 9.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	3 25.0%		5 15.2%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

writing program under non-english jurisdiction \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing program under non-english jurisdiction	yes	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	7 21.2%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	8 66.7%	1 33.3%	22 66.7%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**writing program has a written set of goals and objectives \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total	
			Community College	College	University		
writing program has a written set of goals and objectives	yes	Count % within Type	10 55.6%	7 58.3%	2 66.7%	19 57.6%	
	no	Count % within Type		1 8.3%	1 33.3%	2 6.1%	
	missing	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	4 33.3%		12 36.4%	
<b>Total</b>			Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**a writing center exists \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total	
			Community College	College	University		
a writing center exists	Yes	Count % within Type	16 88.9%	10 83.3%	3 100.0%	29 87.9%	
	No	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%	
	Missing	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%	
<b>Total</b>			Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**comp required for graduation \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
comp required for graduation	yes	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	9 75.0%	3 100.0%	30 90.9%
	no	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	missing	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**developmental comp counts toward graduation \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
developmental comp counts toward graduation	yes	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	3 25.0%	3 100.0%	9 27.3%
	no	Count % within Type	12 66.7%	6 50.0%		18 54.5%
	Missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	3 25.0%		6 18.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**8. What are your purposes for assessing student writing?**



**student writing assessed in college admission \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
student writing assessed in college admission	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%			4 12.1%
	no	Count % within Type		3 25.0%		3 9.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	9 75.0%	3 100.0%	26 78.8%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**writing assessment used in granting composition equivalency \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing assessment used in granting composition equivalency	yes	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	5 15.2%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	7 21.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	6 50.0%	1 33.3%	21 63.6%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

writing assessment is used for exit from developmental and regular composition courses. \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing assessment is used for exit from developmental and regular composition courses.	yes	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	6 50.0%	1 33.3%	18 54.5%
	no	Count % within Type		2 16.7%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	12 36.4%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

9. What kinds of measures do you use to place students in writing courses?

writing assessment used in comp placement \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing assessment used in comp placement	yes	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	23 69.7%
	no	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Place students in writing courses with tests \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Place students in writing courses with tests	yes	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	1 8.3%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
	no	Count % within Type		6 50.0%	1 33.3%	7 21.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	5 41.7%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Students are placed in composition courses through writing samples \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Students are placed in composition courses through writing samples	yes	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	22 66.7%
	no	Count % within Type		3 25.0%		3 9.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**10. Which students do you measure?**

**Kinds of students measured \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Kinds of students measured	All entering students	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
	Graduating students	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	Freshmen only	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	5 41.7%		11 33.3%
	Selected groups	Count % within Type	2 11.1%		1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	Missing	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	5 15.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**11. What scoring approach is used in writing assessment on your campus?**

**Analytical scoring is used on this campus \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Analytical scoring is used on this campus	yes	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	13 39.4%
	no	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	16 48.5%
	missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**General impression holistic scoring is used on thsi campus \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
General impression holistic scoring is used on thsi campus	yes	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	6 50.0%	2 66.7%	21 63.6%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Primary trait scoring is used on this campus \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Primary trait scoring is used on this campus	yes	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	9 27.3%
	no	Count % within Type	10 55.6%	8 66.7%	2 66.7%	20 60.6%
	missing	Count % within Type	2 11.1%	2 16.7%		4 12.1%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**12. Do you use different measures for placement and for equivalency?**

No one supplied any information for this question.

### 13. How do students gain equivalency credit or composition waivers?

There is no exemption from composition \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
There is no exemption from composition	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	8 24.2%
	no	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	10 83.3%	1 33.3%	25 75.8%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

Students can gain equivalency by placement tests \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Students can gain equivalency by placement tests	yes	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	5 41.7%		6 18.2%
	no	Count % within Type	17 94.4%	5 41.7%	3 100.0%	25 75.8%
	missing	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Students can gain equivalency by outside course work or standardized test scores \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Students can gain equivalency by outside course work or standardized test scores	yes	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	7 58.3%		18 54.5%
	no	Count % within Type	7 38.9%	3 25.0%	3 100.0%	13 39.4%
	missing	Count % within Type		2 16.7%		2 6.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Transferred courses provide Exemption \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Transferred courses provide Exemption	yes	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	7 58.3%	1 33.3%	23 69.7%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	4 33.3%	2 66.7%	9 27.3%
	missing	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**14. Who evaluates common exit exams, placement exams, or portfolios?**



**All composition faculty evaluate exit from composition \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
All composition faculty evaluate exit from composition	yes	Count % within Type	9 50.0%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	14 42.4%
	no	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	7 58.3%	1 33.3%	14 42.4%
	missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%	1 33.3%	5 15.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**15. Do you assess writing at upper-division entry level?**

**Assessment is done at upperdivision entry level \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Assessment is done at upperdivision entry level	yes	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	no	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	10 83.3%	3 100.0%	28 84.8%
	missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%		4 12.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**16. Do you assess at upper division exit level?**

writing is assessed at upperdivision levels \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
writing is assessed at upperdivision levels	yes	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%		3 9.1%
	no	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	9 75.0%	3 100.0%	26 78.8%
	missing	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%		4 12.1%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**17. What purposes do these assessments serve?**

**Student writing assessments used for program evaluation. \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Student writing assessments used for program evaluation.	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	5 41.7%		9 27.3%
	no	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	6 18.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	13 72.2%	3 25.0%	2 66.7%	18 54.5%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**18. What is done with the results?**

**use results for curriculum revision \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
use results for curriculum revision	yes	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	3 25.0%		6 18.2%
	no	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	4 12.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	14 77.8%	7 58.3%	2 66.7%	23 69.7%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**19. Is there congruence between your program goals and your assessment measures?**

**There is congruence between program goals and assessment \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
There is congruence between program goals and assessment	yes	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	8 66.7%	2 66.7%	21 63.6%
	no	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	1 8.3%		4 12.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	8 24.2%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**20. Are your program goals specific?**

**Program Goals \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Program Goals	Specific	Count % within Type	11 61.1%	6 50.0%	1 33.3%	18 54.5%
	General	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	2 16.7%		5 15.2%
	missing	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**21. Which of these pre- and post-measures do you use?**

**Pre and Post Measures Used \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Pre and Post Measures Used	None	Count % within Type	3 16.7%	2 16.7%		5 15.2%
	Writing Sample	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	9 27.3%
	Portfolios	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	3 25.0%		4 12.1%
	Combination	Count % within Type	4 22.2%			4 12.1%
	Other	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
	Missing	Count % within Type	5 27.8%	3 25.0%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
	<b>Total</b>	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**22. For what purpose do you use portfolio assessment?**

**use portfolios for program evaluation in composition program \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
use portfolios for program evaluation in composition program	yes	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	5 41.7%		6 18.2%
	no	Count % within Type	2 11.1%			2 6.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	15 83.3%	7 58.3%	3 100.0%	25 75.8%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**use portfolios for exemption from composition \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
use portfolios for exemption from composition	yes	Count % within Type		3 25.0%	1 33.3%	4 12.1%
	no	Count % within Type	18 100.0%	8 66.7%	2 66.7%	28 84.8%
	missing	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

use portfolios for field-specific proficiency for graduation \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
use portfolios for field-specific proficiency for graduation	yes	Count % within Type	3 17.6%	4 33.3%	1 33.3%	8 25.0%
	no	Count % within Type	10 58.8%	7 58.3%		17 53.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	4 23.5%	1 8.3%	2 66.7%	7 21.9%
Total		Count % within Type	17 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	32 100.0%

use portfolios for wac program evaluation \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
use portfolios for wac program evaluation	yes	Count % within Type		1 8.3%		1 3.0%
	no	Count % within Type	12 66.7%	9 75.0%	1 33.3%	22 66.7%
	missing	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	2 16.7%	2 66.7%	10 30.3%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**Writing requirement field- specified \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Writing requirement field-specified	yes	Count % within Type	16 88.9%	11 91.7%	3 100.0%	30 90.9%
	no	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	1 8.3%		2 6.1%
	missing	Count % within Type	1 5.6%			1 3.0%
<b>Total</b>		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%



**23. Describe your portfolio requirements:**

**portfolio requirements specified \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
portfolio requirements specified	yes	Count % within Type	4 22.2%	7 58.3%	1 33.3%	12 36.4%
	no	Count % within Type	6 33.3%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	9 27.3%
	missing	Count % within Type	8 44.4%	3 25.0%	1 33.3%	12 36.4%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**24. What is the writing requirement on your campus?**

**Number of semesters of writing required \* Type Crosstabulation**

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
Number of semesters of writing required	2 freshman comp	Count % within Type	12 66.7%	2 16.7%	1 33.3%	15 45.5%
	upper level	Count % within Type		2 16.7%	1 33.3%	3 9.1%
	2 fr + 2 WAC	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	3 25.0%		4 12.1%
	1 freshman comp	Count % within Type	4 22.2%		1 33.3%	5 15.2%
	1 fres + 1 WAC	Count % within Type	1 5.6%	5 41.7%		6 18.2%
Total		Count % within Type	18 100.0%	12 100.0%	3 100.0%	33 100.0%

**25. What are the names of your writing courses?**

names of writing courses given \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
names of writing courses given	yes	Count	18	12	3	33
		% within Type	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Total		Count	18	12	3	33
		% within Type	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**26. Would you like to participate in a state-wide e-mail discussion list focusing on the issues covered in this questionnaire?**

will participate in E-mail state list \* Type Crosstabulation

			Type			Total
			Community College	College	University	
will participate in E-mail state list	yes	Count	13	9	3	25
		% within Type	72.2%	75.0%	100.0%	75.8%
	no	Count	5	3		8
		% within Type	27.8%	25.0%		24.2%
Total		Count	18	12	3	33
		% within Type	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

**27. Will you supply your name or that of a willing contact person on your campus?**

For respondents list see Appendix "D"

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