Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) Checklist

Prior to January 2004, did you?
1. Earn a score of 8 or higher on the Upper-Division Writing Test; OR
2. Earn a score of 10 or higher on the Transfer Writing Assessment (effective June 2002); OR
3. Pass an approved W course (and required prerequisites) with a grade of C or higher (A Cr is acceptable if the course is not a specific requirement for your major)

YES

NO

Prior to January 2004, did you have 60 units by the end of fall 2003 and a minimum:
1. Score a 151 on the English Placement Test (EPT); OR
2. Score a 550 on the SAT or a 24 on the ACT; OR
3. Earn an AP score of 3 on the Language and Composition or Literature and Composition Exams; OR
4. Pass with a C or higher a transferable GE English course AND pass the SDSU Transfer Writing Assessment (or earn credit in RWS 92A, 92B, 94, 95, 96, 97A or 97B); OR
5. Attempt but fail the EPT AND earn credit in one of the following courses: RWS 92A, 92B, 94, 95, 96, 97A or 97B.

See General Catalog graduation requirements for details.

YES

NO

Did you take the Transfer Writing Assessment prior to January 2004?

YES

Enroll in the appropriate writing course(s) based on your test score as listed below.

NO

You must take the Writing Proficiency Assessment (WPA) during the semester in which you complete 60 units or in the semester immediately following. See test score information below.

A score of 10 or above on the TWA or WPA meets the Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement. (Some majors require a writing course)

Students who score an 8 or 9 must complete an approved upper-division writing course with a grade of C or better prior to graduation.

Students who score 7 or less must enroll in and pass RWS 96, 280 or 281 before enrolling in the required upper-division writing course.

Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR) is met. You do not need to take the WPA or complete any additional coursework to satisfy this requirement. Some majors require students to take an upper-division writing course regardless of test scores.