To establish the foundation in academic writing, critical reading, and analytic thinking that is expected at the college level, USC’s general education program requires at least two courses in composition. Students entering USC fulfill this through Writing and Critical Reasoning (WRIT 150) at the freshman level, and Advanced Writing (WRIT 340) during the junior year.

**Incoming Freshman**

Writing 150
(Recommended in freshman or sophomore year. Not to be taken in the same semester as your GSEM.)

[Diagram: Writing 150 → Writing 340]

Writing 340
(recommended in the junior or senior year)

**Transfer Student**

If no Writing 150 equivalent course was transferred: Register for Writ 150

[Diagram: Writ 150 or]

If your equivalent transfer writing course/s are accepted through Articulation as Writing 130/150

[Diagram: Writing 130/150 → Enroll in Writing 340]

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