Writing Studies Area Statement on Teaching Requirements  
Approved by committee on F, 10/27/17

- **E. Qualifications of Faculty**¹  
  *Faculty must demonstrate the qualifications (experience, education, training) appropriate to the courses they are assigned.*  

3. For Writing Studies courses, the following metric will be used:  

**at 1000 and 2000 level (in order of importance)²:**  
- Degree in Writing (Ph. D., M.F.A or M.A.) in Writing Studies, Rhetoric/Composition, or closely related field  
- Relevant work experience  
- Experience teaching writing courses at the college level  
- Tenured, tenure-track, permanent faculty, lecturer, or limited-term faculty.  

**at 3000 to 4000 level (in order of importance):**  
- Terminal degree in Writing Studies, Rhetoric/Composition, English, or closely related field  
- A minimum of nine hours of coursework in Rhetoric/Composition  
- Relevant work experience  
- Experience teaching writing at the college level  
- Tenured, tenure-track, permanent faculty, lecturer, or limited-term faculty.  

**at 5000 to 7000 level (in order of importance):**  
- Publications in writing studies, rhetoric, composition, or closely related areas  
- Terminal degree in Writing Studies, Rhetoric/Composition, English, or closely related field  
  writing studies, rhetoric and composition, or closely-related field  
- Tenured, tenure track, or minimum rank of assistant professor  
- Approved graduate faculty status from the University  
- Experience teaching or writing in the field

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¹ In general, faculty should meet all qualifications of a given level, but exemption from a qualification may be made in response to departmental needs, curriculum development, or exceptional circumstances. This exemption must receive a majority vote from tenure-line faculty in the Writing Studies area.  
² All of these criteria should be met.