

COMMITTEE ON PREPRATORY EDUCATION
OCTOBER 22, 2025
MINUTES

PRESENT: A. Jaworska, Chair & UCOPE Rep.; T. Petete; P. Sadler; Q. Wang; J. Wu; P. Beehler, Ex Officio; N. Haywood (ASUCR Student Rep)

ABSENT: C. Lamar Prieto, Ex Officio; S. Dingwall, Ex Officio; H. Liu, Ex Officio; M. Sridharan, Ex Officio;

Chair Jaworska called the meeting to order at 10:32AM.

Following the introductions of the Committee members, the charge of the Committee was reviewed. The Committee will be proposing a bylaw change to remove History and Institutions from the Bylaw as UCR students are not required to satisfy placement requirements in History and Institutions.

The committee discussed meeting modality for future meetings and agreed to meet in person.

The Committee reviewed the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) Report that the Committee is tasked with reporting annually to the Division. Associate Director of the University Writing Program and Ex Officio Member Paul Beehler provided the Committee with an overview of the lengthy report. The Committee voted to approve the simplified report, and the report will be submitted for inclusion on the December 2, 2025, Division Meeting agenda.

The Committee reviewed the Math Placement Report that the Committee is tasked with reporting annually to the Division and decided to table the discussion. A special meeting will be held to review the report and invite guests from the Math Department and the Academic Resource Center for a broader discussion.

The Committee reviewed the proposed revisions to APM - 015/016 and Disciplinary Sanction Guidelines for Misconduct Related to Expressive Activity and Guidelines re Good Cause Extension Factors and had no comments.

The Committee reviewed the Committee on Academic Freedom Proposed Resolution to Establish Mutual Academic Defense Compacts in Defense of Academic Freedom, Free Expression, Institutional Integrity, and the Research Enterprise and had no comments.

The Chair informed the Committee that she is UCR's representative to the University Committee on Preparatory Education (UCOPE) that meets several times a year. The Chair provided the Committee with an update from the October 16, 2025, UCOPE meeting. The Chair noted that UCOPE will not be sunseting and the committees' bylaws are currently being reviewed and updated. UCOPE was updated on the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates (ICAS) report on common course numbering for the junior colleges. UCOPE also had discussions on the following: fully online programs, striking "remedial" from bylaws; review of Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) Coordinating Council's (ECC's) charge, including recent history of AWPE/formation of campus replacement systems and subsequent formation of the ECC, and

review of submitted reports and reporting timeline; and the College Board's recalibrating of scoring for germane tests affecting math and writing placements.

During New Business, a member initiated a discussion regarding the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) Report for future meetings.

Two specific motions were put forth:

1. Reporting Format Change: That, beginning in the 2026-27 academic year, the committee request and include a simplified version of the ELWR Report utilizing the format previously employed by the University Writing Program (UWP). The committee will also request the UWP to provide any updates to the standing questions included in the committee handbook (see below).
2. Committee Handbook Update: That the committee's standing questions and the corresponding answers provided by UWP be formally included in the committee handbook.

Following extensive discussion, the motions did not receive the necessary votes to pass. The committee agreed to place this item on a future agenda for further deliberation.

With no additional business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:56 AM.

Approved: January 27, 2026

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