

Task Force Recommendations-2008

- Include writing in every major that's relevant to that discipline
- Hire a Director to lead the initiative
- Develop a Writing Center to provide face to face support for student writers

Office of University Writing

- Implement Recommendations of Writing Task Force
 - Dr. Margaret Marshall, Director of University Writing
- Enhance the Culture of Writing

Writing in the Major

- Develop curriculum for including writing in every major
 - Writing should be relevant to that major
 - Flexible approach; not a one-size-fits-all
 - Integrate current writing in the majors

"The more I teach statistics, the more I realize that I'm really teaching writing."
AU faculty member

Writing in the Major

- Writing takes many forms
 - In lab reports, business memos, letters to clients, explanations to patients, math annotations, summaries of readings
- Writing happens outside class
 - In internships, field work, residential colleges, clubs and organizations, on social network spaces, in letters and applications

Support for Faculty

- Develop curriculum for including writing in every major
 - Office of University Writing will facilitate discussions about curriculum as requested by departments
- Offer faculty workshops on
 - Responding to student writing
 - Developing effective assignments
 - Assessing writing and curriculum