

THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT ASHEVILLE
FACULTY SENATE

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Statement of Faculty Senate Action:

APC Document 30: **Change the criteria for receiving credit for LANG 120 from Advanced Placement; Add a minimum SAT I Writing and/or ACT Writing test score as an option to receive LANG 120 credit**

Effective Date: Fall 2013

1. Delete: On page 38, under Advanced Placement, the entry for English:

English			
Language & Composition	5	4	LANG 120 (A)
Literature & Composition	5	4	LANG 120 (A)

Add: On page 38, in place of deleted entry:

English			
Language & Composition	4, 5	4	LANG 120 (A)
Literature & Composition	4, 5	4	LANG 120 (A)

2. Delete: On page 39, under Notes, item A:

A. Students will not receive credit for both Language and Composition and Literature and Composition AP tests.

Add: On page 39, in place of deleted entry:

- A. To receive credit for LANG 120, students must satisfy at least one of the following criteria:
- Students with a score of 5 on one or both of the exams will receive 4 hours of credit for LANG 120.
 - Students with a score of 4 on both the Language & Composition test and the Literature & Composition exam will receive 4 hours of credit for LANG 120.
 - Students with a score of 4 on only one of the exams will receive 4 hours of credit for LANG 120 if they also have a score of 690 or higher on the SAT I Writing exam or a score of 32 or higher on the ACT Writing exam.

Impact: This change will allow more students to receive credit for LANG 120 while still maintaining high standards for awarding credit. These changes, piloted with the incoming freshman class in Fall 2012, allowed 13 additional students to receive credit for LANG 120. It might also help to reduce the number of required sections of LANG 120 if more students receive credit through test scores.

Rationale: The Literature and Language Department feels exemption criteria are too high based on what other schools do. Data suggests students meeting the above criteria are adequately prepared, and the department would like to give credit to more students in addressing sustainability concerns. Historically, LANG 120 students scoring 4's on the AP exam are not well served in LANG 120.