

**Project Report: New Writing Placement Rubric**

**To:** CIEP Director

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**Background:** Starting in the Fall 1, 2014 term, I was assigned to head the Writing Rubric Committee with Jeannie Kleinhans and Lucas Plouff. Our task was to develop a new writing placement rubric aligned to new 2013 writing Student Learning Outcomes. Mike and Carolina also requested that Tom and the committee develop some updated writing prompts as the other prompts had been used for a long time, and thus, may be less reliable.

With the receipt of this memo, I am proud to announce the committee's work on these three prompts is finished. Jeannie and Lucas have done excellent work in making sure that the prompts are more succinct and more user friendly to students. Jeannie's skills in writing short and descriptive phrases have helped pare down this writing prompt to its basic essentials, especially in how the instructions are written.

**Conclusion:** As this task has come to an end, I am happy to present you, Carolina and Mike, a final copy of the new Writing Placement Prompts. I could not have done this without the hard work of Lucas and Jeannie.