

Writing Committee Minutes

Monday 08-29-2011, 4:00 p.m., Ashmore Hall 168

First Meeting Fall 2011

Members present at the meeting: James Todesca, Christine Moore, Kathy Schaefer, Cynthia Costa, Mirari Elcoro, Deborah Reese

- Election of Chair of the committee: James Todesca
- The role and involvement of the writing committee for the year 2011-2012 was discussed
- We discussed the possibility of combining the event of **recognition of student writing and faculty supporting excellent writing** (this event has been traditionally conducted by the writing committee, in which each department selects an outstanding paper by a student) with the **awards ceremony of the Student Scholar Symposium** (organized by the Research and Scholarship Committee) for the Spring 2012
- We will send more frequent reminders (via email) to faculty to identify student papers to be recognized. The goal is to gather more faculty and students in the Spring 2012 event (relative to Spring 2011)
- Besides the recognition event organized and conducted by the writing committee, a Faculty Forum was proposed
- Ideas for the Faculty Forum are: participation in the recognition event, how to select student papers to be recognized, sharing ideas about written assignments for students, how to incorporate writing assignments in class, class size and written assignments, exemption of the Regents Exam for Armstrong students
- Members of the committee will: (1) contact Teresa Winterhalter (director of Faculty Development) to obtain a date for faculty forum, (2) contact SGA to select a student member that will join the committee, (3) contact Student Affairs to plan for the recognition event during Spring 2012, (4) contact a member(s) of the Research and Scholarship Committee to discuss the possibility of joining events for the Spring 2012
- Members of the committee will meet again during Fall 2011 to organize Faculty Forum
- Secretary elected: Mirari Elcoro