Articulation Matters: Ideas for Helping Students Meet UW’s USP 2015 Designations

ENGL 1010 (First-Year Comp): Articulate with UW's revised version of the course, which solidifies existing research and critical-reading elements and adds an introduction to differences between oral, written, and digital communication. ENGL 1010 courses which have been articulated with UW's English department will automatically transfer in as ENGL 1010 and COM1.

ENGL 2020 (Intro to Lit): Articulate with UW's revised version of the course, which provides a disciplinary introduction to literary analysis, incorporates a basic foundation for oral communication, and develops digital communication skills. ENGL 2020 courses which have been articulated with UW's English department will automatically transfer in as ENGL 2020 and COM2.

ENGL 1020 (Intermediate Comp): Articulate with UW's COM2 outcomes, which can maintain a primary focus on written communication but which also must develop a foundation in oral communication skills and engage students in digital communication activity. ENGL 1020 courses which have been successfully articulated through the registrar's office will transfer in as ENGL 2020 and COM2.

ENGL 2010 (Technical Writing): Consider changing the numerical designation of the course and articulating it with UW's ENGL 2005. ENGL 2005 courses which have been articulated with UW's English department will automatically transfer in as ENGL 2005 and COM2.

COM 1010 (Public Speaking): At UW, the revised version of public speaking will be offered as COJO 2010 and will count as a COM2. If community colleges want to articulate their COM 1010 class with UW’s revised COJO 2010, these articulated courses (preferably with a numerical change) will transfer in as COJO 2010 and Com2. (Note: Public speaking courses which do not incorporate an increased level of written communication and some instruction in digital communication will not articulate with the new COM2.)

Grouped courses. For colleges who want to retain an intermediate composition course (1020) and an unarticulated 1000-level public speaking course: the community college can choose to work with the UW registrar's office to get this joint set of courses approved as a COM2. Though this means a 2-for-1 transfer, it potentially requires the least amount of revision to existing courses and potentially ensures easy out-of-state transfer to schools which still require free-standing intermediate comp and public speaking courses.

Other cases/issues to consider

- Numerical changes. My understanding is that these changes would be initiated at your local site and also reviewed by the UW registrar’s office.
- ENGL 1020 and ENGL 2010 will not automatically become anything in the new USP.
- Courses that transfer in as ELEC credit will not count towards ENGL elective credit.
- ENGL courses that may also fit USP designations
  - ENGL 2030: will transfer in as an ENGL elective but will not automatically carry a USP designation. For COM2 designation, 2030 would need to be articulated through the UW registrar’s office.
- In the new USP, courses can only meet 1 USP designation—but they can also meet an A&S ‘D’ or ‘G’ designations as well.

What’s necessary for articulation? Please submit a representative course syllabus with schedule (or similar documents); if the materials don’t fully indicate how COM outcomes are met, also submit a 1-2 page narrative to explain how the course aligns with the COM1 or COM2 outcomes.

Samples of ENGL 1010, ENGL 2005, ENGL 2020, and COJO 2010: view at bit.ly/1qscnZQ