Developmental Writing Course Achievement Brief 2012-13 Update

## Student Success

Students enrolled in developmental writing courses at Southwestern successfully complete their courses approximately $68 \%$ of the time with achievement rates between $66 \%$ and $69 \%$. In 2012-13 the combined achievement rate was approximately 67\% for Writing 0525 and Writing 90. The rate for Writing 90 has been trending upward over the last three years. A pilot program for Writing 90 was implemented in 2011-12 with full implementation during 2012-13 represented by rates that increased from a low of 60\% in 2010-11 to a high of $65 \%$ in 2012-13.


## Success GAPS

The overall achievement rate for developmental writing decreased by nearly 3\% in 2012-13 compared to 2011-12.


There was a large decrease exceeding 10\% in the achievement rate for Writing 0525 from 2011-12 to 2012-13. Previously the trend for Writing 0525 had been an increasing achievement rate ranging from 65\% to 79\% from 2008-09 to 2011-12.

The extreme swing of rates for Writing 0525 merits further consideration and analysis as new strategies are identified in the future designed to enhance and improve student success.

ABOUT THIS DATA: Successful completion is defined as the percentage of students who enroll and earned a grade of "A," "B," "C," or "P", "R", or "S".

Data Source: OCCURS data submitted to the state for 2008-09 to 2011-12 and preliminary state data for 2012-13 as extracted from the ERP system.

