(ECC—Torrance Only)

Observation Patterns/ Trends:

- > Students Struggled with Analysis and Source Integration (14)
- > Students Struggled with Documentation and Citation (14)
- ➤ Grammar Issues (8)
- ➤ Reading Comprehension Problems (7)
- ➤ Lack of Preparation for 1A (7)
- Failure to Meet Minimum Requirements (6)
- ➤ Lack of Organization (Especially in D/F Papers) (5)
- > Students Taking Advantage of Resources/Help Performed Better (4)
- > Students Chose Not to Take Advantage of Resources and Did Worse (4)
- > Student Procrastination (1)
- ➤ Plagiarism Increase (1)
- > Frequent Absences (1)

Implications and Future Direction: Teaching Strategies

- ➤ Focus on MLA/Works Cited/Sources (13)
- ➤ Use More Examples/Exercises & Repetition (9)
- > Stress Basic Requirements (8)
- > Start Research Essays Earlier/Give More Time (7)
- > Prepare Students for Research (5)
- ➤ One on One Draft Conferencing (4)
- ➤ In-Class Projects and Student Presentations (4)
- ➤ Work on Reading Comprehension (3)
- Work on Basics (Grammar, Sentence Structure, etc.) (3)
- ➤ Have Research Paper as Requirement to Pass Class (2)
- > Teach Using More Interactive Media (1)

Implications and Future Direction: Curriculum

- > Stricter Requirements for English A Students to Get into English 1A (9)
- ➤ Have More Time for Research Papers and Have Multiple Drafts (7)
- > Students Need More Practice to Work with Evidence, Support, and MLA (6)
- Add a "Mini-Research Essay" for More Practice (5)
- Research Paper Needs to Be Worth More (4)
- ➤ Greater Focus on Reading/Writing (4)
- ➤ Difficult for Students Jumping Straight into 1A (3)
- No Changes (2)
- Less Lecture, More In-Class Group Work (2)

Implications and Future Direction: Support from Program/College

- ➤ More Library Collaboration Including More Help with MLA, Works Cited (9)
- Continue Norming Workshops/Consistency (7)
- ➤ Additional Preparation Before 1A (7)
- Make English A Harder or Increase the Requirements for English 1A (6)
- ➤ Greater Emphasis on Drafts/Writing, Less Reading (5)
- ➤ Have Tutors in English 1A (4)
- Add More Contact Hours for 1A (2)
- ➤ Smaller Class Sizes (2)
- > Do Research Paper Earlier (1)
- ➤ Require Research Papers in Other Disciplines (1)

Other Information/Anecdotes

- > Students Unprepared for College Level Work (7)
- > Students Passed A, but are Unprepared for 1A (5)
- > Students Drop During Research Paper Writing Time (2)
- Librarians are a Helpful Resource for Students (2)
- > Students Submitted No Research Paper at All (2)

(ECC—Compton Only)

Observation Patterns/ Trends:

- ➤ Problems with citing sources and Works Cited page (5)
- > Students struggled with basic college writing skills (4)
- ➤ Lack of reading/reading comprehension experience (1)
- > Students who took advantage of research did better (1)

Implications and Future Direction: Teaching Strategies

- ➤ More practice with in-text citations (4)
- ➤ More preparation in English A or before 1A (3)
- > SI Tutor to help students with basic skills (2)
- ➤ More practice with databases/other media (2)

Implications and Future Direction: Curriculum

- ➤ MLA workshop/Research Class (3)
- ➤ More pre-writing activities (2)
- Tutoring (2)
- ➤ More Preparation Before 1A (2)

Implications and Future Direction: Support from Program/College

- ➤ Gather pre-writing and research templates to use in the curriculum (3)
- More resources for students including tutoring, library, workshops, etc. (2)
- Mandatory office hours that students attend (2)
- > Greater collaboration among instructors (1)
- Research Papers as requirement in all disciplines (1)
- Ensure that unprepared students in lower sections do not pass (1)

Other Information/Anecdotes

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