

## Senior Writing Requirement (Guidelines)

### I. Purpose of Requirement

As a condition for graduation Fulbright College requires that all students must present a research/analytical paper. The purpose of the upper-level writing requirement is to ensure that prior to graduation each student shall have demonstrated competency in research and writing by composing, under faculty supervision, a product that evidences qualities of basic scholarship, writing ability, and analysis.

### II. Completing the Requirement

The writing requirement may be satisfied by:

- a) writing a single topic paper of 10-15 pages in connection with a junior or senior level class;
- b) two 5-7 page papers written for a junior or senior level class.

Papers must be prepared under faculty supervision with the express purpose of submitting it as the senior writing requirement. A letter grade of B or better must be assigned. Suitable papers will include:

- an appropriate structure with a title page containing the project topic and student's name;
- body of the paper with multiple subheadings;
- a reference section containing at least 10 academic sources (e.g., scholarly articles, books, and other appropriate sources);
- a uniform in-text citation style to support assertions made in the paper;
- and analysis of a topic appropriate to the discipline; by analysis is meant a thorough examination of a narrowly defined issue or topic.

For students who are choosing the two paper option, instructors should assist the students to identify suitable papers.

Jointly written papers are not acceptable for meeting the requirement.