

# Directed Self-Placement

*CSUCI Composition Program*

*2003-2006*

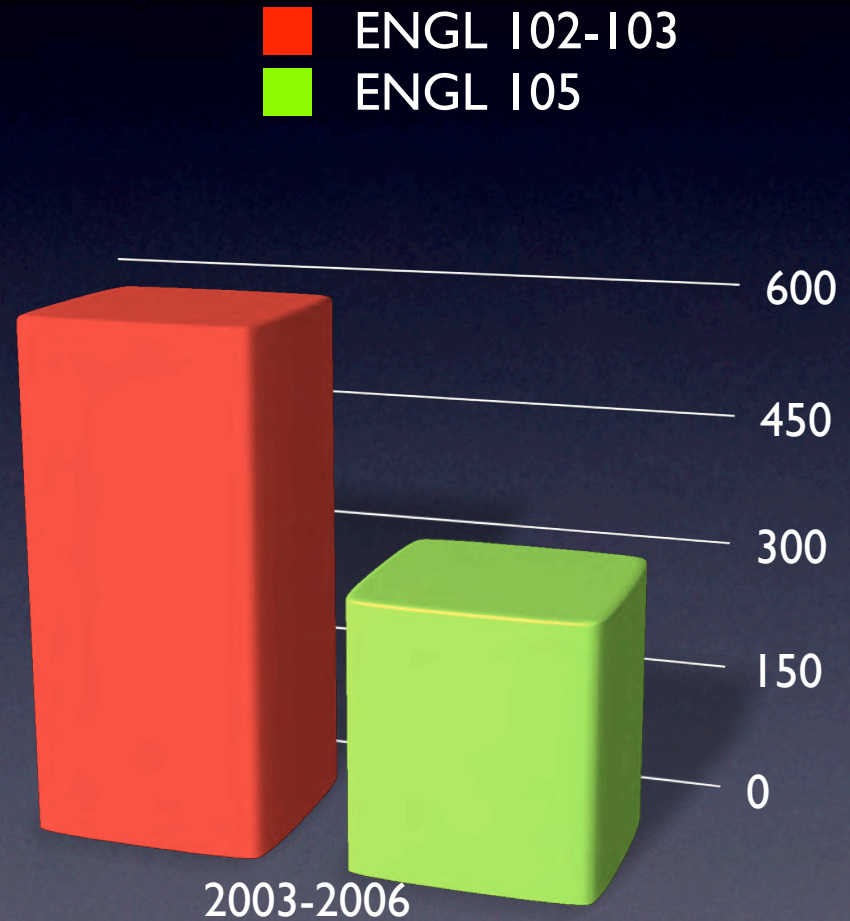
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Course freshmen elect:

**ENGL 102-103** (STRETCH)

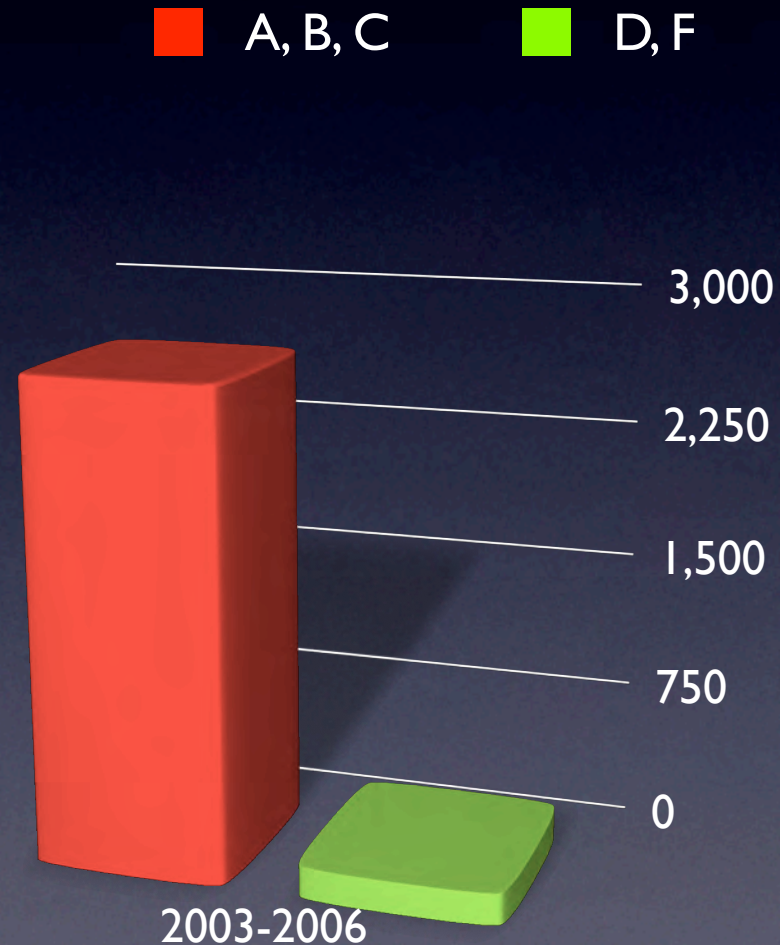
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**ENGL 105**



# Student Success: In-class Essays

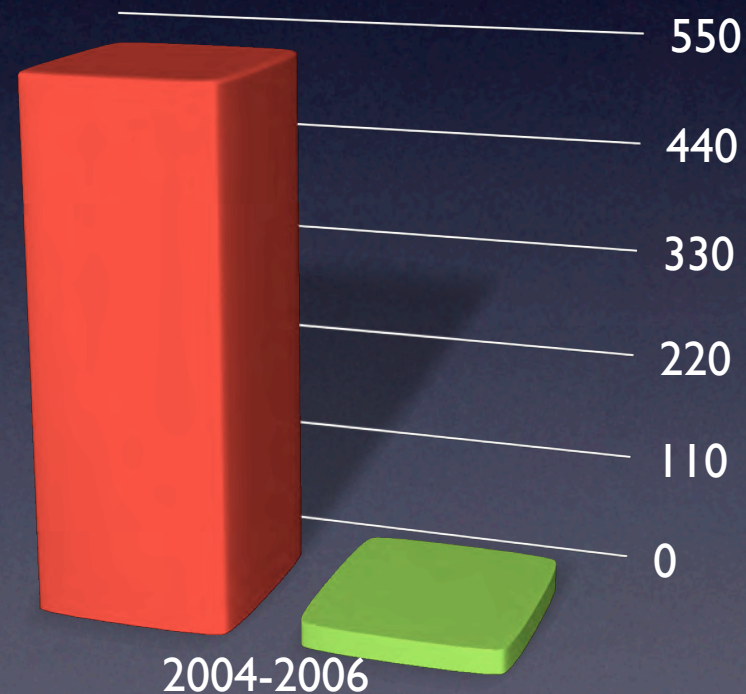
Grades on  
2,752 essays  
holistically  
scored from  
2003-2006



# Student Success: Out-of-class Portfolios

■ A, B, C    ■ D, F

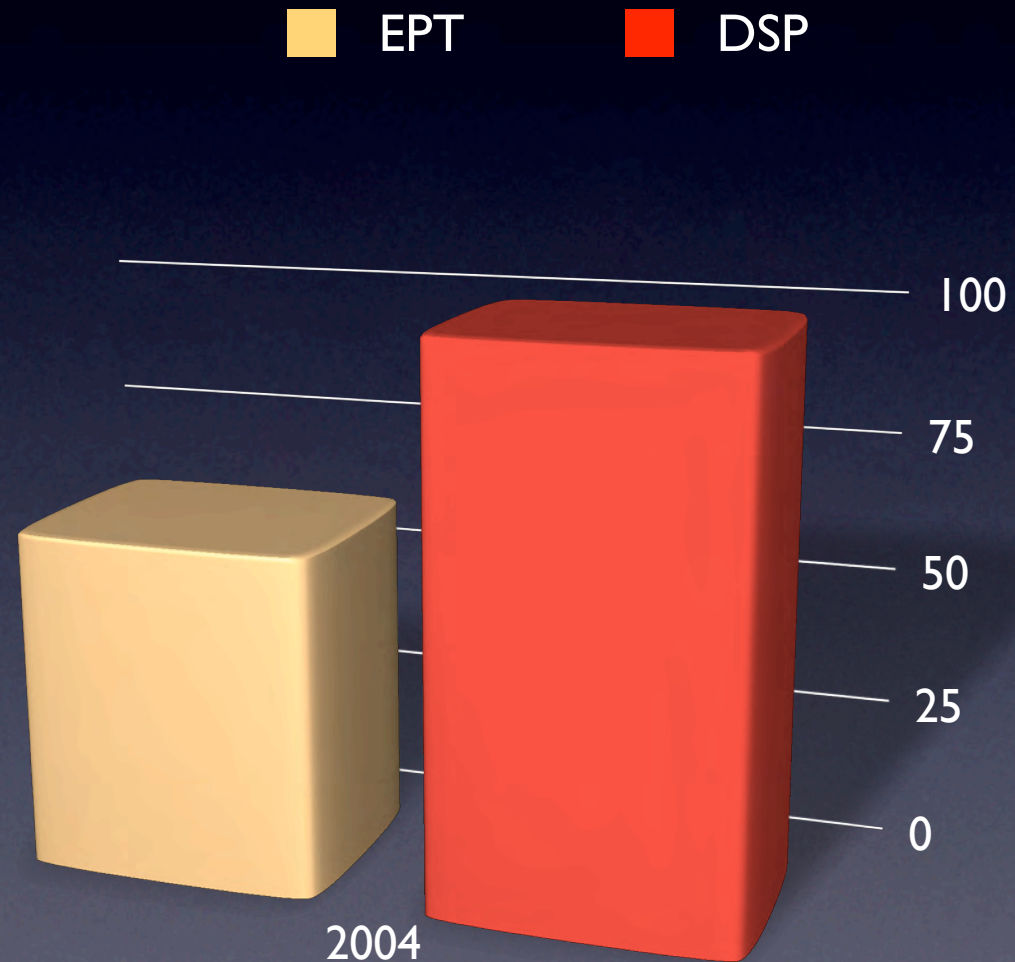
Grades on  
544 portfolios  
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2004-2006



# Student Success Rates: EPT vs. DSP

EPT scores indicated only 51% of freshmen entering CSUCI in 2004 were prepared for college-level writing.

*96% succeeded.*



# Conclusions

- DSP is a better method of placing student in composition than is the EPT.
- STRETCH classes increase likelihood that students with limited writing experience or lack of confidence will succeed.
- Students are more motivated when they decide which composition class to take.