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## Core and University Honors Writing

We feel strongly that to capture the spirit of Seattle University, and to convey that spirit to an international audience, *SUURJ* should include writing from the Core, as well as from University Honors. We offer lower division writing as its own section for several reasons. First, we want to introduce these programs to an audience outside the campus community. Second, because students in these programs are not necessarily majors in the field for which they are writing, and because they are often first- and second-year students, we do not want to assess their writing in the same way we do essays by upper-division majors. Finally, Core courses are often interdisciplinary, or they engage in assignments that are less-traditionally contoured than research projects in the majors, so in choosing them, we employ a different mode of evaluation. We offer the Core and University Honors Writing section as part of our celebration of writing at all stages of students' undergraduate careers.