Quotes on AAP’s English Component

My writing skills improved during my time here in STP 2007. Before I came to this program, I was not aware of how to use the paragraph structure rules. After being in this program, I learned how to use the paragraph structure to make my essays/papers stronger and more precise. In high school, I wasn’t really good at writing long papers. Now I have had practice in writing a 6-8 page paper and getting help on it --Diana Camargo

The STP experience was a positive preparation to which I was able to translate certain skills into a successful experience in English 101. Admission into AAP and STP were certainly far from a comfortable feeling at the beginning. The STP was a competition within itself. With every student trying to vouch and solidify their place at the University of Maryland…In my opinion, my writing skills have improved since my admission into AAP 2007. I felt comfortable about how I was as a writer, and how I was able to write academically. Nevertheless, AAP English, through STP 2007 introduced and massaged ideas that would be crucial to understand if I wanted to succeed in English 101.
--Christopher Davis.

Throughout the Summer Transitional Program, my writing skills have improved. I have noticed improvement in the strengths of my thesis statements. I have improved in my grammar. Also, I have gotten a lot better with preparation for writing essays.
--Phyllis Willis

During STP 2007, I believe my writing has been significantly enhanced. I have learned new techniques a side of an issue. I have also used those same techniques to analyze someone’s position on an issue. My whole vocabulary has been expanded and my overall sense of structure. I have learned how to build a good paper based on a good thesis statement.
--Markisha Streeter

The English Component of this Summer Transitional Program has provided much needed aid to my writing skill….Over the six-week course, the English classes and the labs have proven to be the most helpful resource available to me. Not only did it help me excel in my English class, but also aided me with other papers in my other classes.
--James Malry

Since being admitted into AAP in STP 2007, my writing skills have improved. The pre-English class during the summer helped me with a lot of my problems. Going into the fall semester, I felt confident that I could pass English 101… Thanks to the help I received over the summer, I was able to do very well. I got an A in English 101. Now I feel more confident in my ability to write essays than I was over the summer. The English component of AAP was a great contributing factor to my success. --Dwayne Cunningham
AAP in STP 2007 was without doubt one of the most challenging times I have ever faced with writing. During that summer my writing went through a growth spurt. Now, I have survived English 101 and am more confident with my writing. I’m ready to take on more writing based courses. If it wasn’t for STP, my transition to English 101 would not have been so great.

--Anthony Huling

My writing since the summer has improved greatly after the STP. The English portion of the STP has prepared me to see what I should be expecting in a college paper. When I took English 101 in the fall semester, I felt that I was more advantaged than the other students, having experience in writing a paper. --Jennifer Chang

I feel that my writing skills since AAP summer 2007 have improved because I have learned how to use sources within my paper. I was glad that I received at B+ in English 101 because I put a lot of work into the class. During English 101 lab, I was able to get help and have others look at my work to help me as well. The English lab was very useful. --Nicole Leyton

When I was first admitted into AAP, my writing skills were relatively weak. Even at the beginning of the fall semester 2007, my writing skills were not that great. On my first paper in English 101 I received at W which stands for rewrite. After lots of help from the AAP staff, I was able to rebound….and I finished English 101 with a B average. Ultimately, AAP, the STP program, and English 101 not only helped me become a better writer but a better student. --Audie Murphy