2018–19 Alternative Delivery Executive Summary

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Department: History **Date:** 6/18/19 **Course(s):** History 115

Alternative Format(s) – select as many as are applicable: Dual Credit Select Select

Members (must include more than course instructor only) involved with analysis of artifacts:

Alternative Delivery Assessment Plan for: a) Course requirement evaluation; b) Student Outcome; c) Question(s); e) Methodology

Analysis of artifacts:

- 1). Student Outcome: **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA*** How was data analyzed? (attach rubrics/scoring tools if used). Rubric
- 2). **COMPARABILITY** How did you determine if the outcomes of the traditional and alternative deliver modes were comparable? (note "na" if delivery modes were not compared). Rubric Comparisons and Artifact Sampling

Summary of RESULTS*:

- 1). Restate the assessment question(s) (from the Assessment plan): Can students identify a thesis? Can students identify strengths and weaknesses of a historical work? Can students use evidence from the book to support their claims
- 2). Summarize the assessment results. A narrative summary is required. Charts, tables or graphs are encouraged but optional. This year we sought a more ambitious goal than in the past, looking to assess not merely our students' performance overall, but also performance within particular categories. Our official goal was for "80% of our students to earn at least a "good" rating in each category. Unfortunately, due to a typo, the data that was collected recorded the number of students who earned an "Excellent" in each category. Nonetheless, the data that was collected is quite valuable and informative.

Class	Total Students	8 or Better out of 12
DC 1	28	25
DC 2	19	18
CUNE	10	6
DC 3	1	1
DC 4	12	11
DC 5	40	40
DC 6	2	1
Totals	112	102

	Excellent in Quality	Ex in Thesis	Ex in Analysis	Ex in Conclusions
DC 1	23	19	13	3
DC 2	16	15	14	12
CUNE	3	1	3	2
DC 3	0	1	1	1
DC 4	9	5	3	0
DC 5	30	30	33	21
DC 6	3	1	0	1
Totals	84.0	72.0	67.0	40.0

- 3). **INTERPRETATION*** Discuss how the results answer the assessment question(s). According to the first chart 102 out of 112 (91%) of our students scored at least eight points out of twelve on the rubric, a strong performance overall. The second chart, which indicates the number of students who earned an "excellent" too indicates promise. The fact that 84 students (75%) achieved the highest category in quality suggests that most of our students, regardless of institution are capable of mechanically writing a qualit college-level paper. The number of students earning excellent in the Thesis and Analysis categories are also quite solid. Notably, only 40 students (36%) earned an excellent on their conclusions. While this number itself is not a cause for trepidation as it does not account how many students earned a "good", our evidence suggests that our students could use additional instruction or examples in this area.
- 4). Observations made that were not directly related to the question(s). (i.e. interrater reliability of the scoring tool was low) Typo prevent us from accurately assessing stated goal; Senechal's class reported very high marks.
- 5). How did the outcomes of the traditional and alternative format analysis compare? Results were comparable.

Sharing of Results: When were results shared? Date: 6/18/2019 How were the results shared? (i.e. met as a department) In person and electronically Who were results shared with? (List names): Matt Phillips, Jamie Hink

Discussion of Results – Summarize your conclusions including:

- 1. **ACTION*-** How will what was learned from the assessment impact the alternative format teaching of this course starting the next academic year? Overall, the students are performing well. Next year, we will instruct teachers to spend more time with students regarding how to write a strong conclusion.
- 2. **IMPACT*-** What is the anticipated impact of the **ACTION*** on student achievement of the learning outcome in the next academic year? Student performance will improve in the conclusions cateogory.
- 3. **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS** Indicate budget requirements necessary for the successful implementation of the **ACTION*** (i.e. an additional staff person, new equipment, additional sections of a course).

Submitted by: John Hink Assessment Committee Reviewed (date): 6/20/19

Submitter notified approval/additional action needed: approved

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS - Assessment Committee Chair notified appropriate Dean: na