2022 - 23 Departmental Executive Summary

Department: ECTA Date: 6/15/23

Members involved with analysis of artifacts: L. Ashby, T Beck

See #1 Undergraduate Program Assessment Plan: Student Outcomes for: a) Student Outcome; b) Background; c) Question(s); d) Methodology

Analysis of artifacts:

1). **PERFORMANCE CRITERIA*** - How was data analyzed? (attach rubrics/scoring tools if used). The final assignment of the class, Homework 21, was assessed. The assignment was to write a 400- to 500-word story based on each student's original reporting, including interviews with at least 3 people. Papers were scored using a standard rubric.

Summary of RESULTS*:

1). Restate the assessment question(s) (from the Assessment plan):

Are students able to effectively access, review, and analyze reference sources unique to the upper level work in their major?

2). Summarize the assessment results. (A narrative summary is required. Charts, tables or graphs are encouraged but optional.)

The scores indicate that the class average was 3.65/4 on the rubric.

- 3). **INTERPRETATION*** Discuss how the results answer the assessment question(s).
- The aimed for outcome was that the class average would be 2.5 or higher; we scored 3.65 average for the class. Therefore, the assessment indicates that our aimed-for outcome was achieved.
- 4). Observations made that were not directly related to the question(s).

Sharing of Results: When were results shared? Date: 11/9/22 How were the results shared? (i.e. met as a department) The results were shared in a department meeting and via email Who were results shared with? (List names): L Zumhofe, P Koprince, E Lamm, B Moore, T Beck, L Ashby, G Haley

Discussion of Results –Summarize your conclusions including:

- 1. ACTION*- How will what the department learned from the assessment impact:
 - a. Teaching: We will continue to teach reference skills and citation of evidence in a similar manner.
- b. Assignment/course: The assignment provides us with good data about the learning of students. We will continue to assign this project in this course.
- c. *Program:* CTA 225 helps us achieve the goal of having students accurately cite and analyze sources. We will continue to offer the course in our programs.
- d. Assessment: We would like to choose a different class and outcome for future assessment so that we can measure student learning in a more broad cross section of our program.
- 2. **IMPACT*-** What is the anticipated impact of the **ACTION*** on student achievement of the learning outcome in the next academic year? Student learning of reference and citation skills will continue.
- 3. **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS** Indicate budget requirements necessary for the successful implementation of the **ACTION*** None

If action is taken – it is recommended that the same learning outcome and assessment plan be used for a second assessment cycle.

What assessment questions related to the learning outcome would the program like to investigate in the future? We haven't settled on new assessment questions at this time, but we do know we'd like to investigate a different learning outcome next year.

Submitted by: Lisa Ashby & Tobin Beck Reviewed by the Assessment Committee (date): 7/11/23

Department Chair notified/additional action needed: Approved BUDGET IMPLICATIONS – Assessment Committee Chair notified appropriate Dean: na Approved & Posted to Assessment site: 7/11/23

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	Α	In the story, the source			
		of each fact or quote is			
		appropriately identified			
	В	Credible sources are			
		included for all relevant			
		sides so the story is			
		appropriately balanced			
	С	Source information is			
		presented accurately			
	D	The sources chosen are			
		appropriately precise for			
		the story's topic			
	Ε	Information from all			
		sources is clearly			
		explained in context so			
		the story is			
		understandable			