Assessment Structure: Associate in Arts (AA) Degree

Declared AA students (2017): 1231 29.81% (n=4129)



²⁾ Select GenEd Courses: select multi-section course SLO assessment by department

3) General Education Outcomes by Degree: cyclical, cross-college studies by Assessment Committee

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General Education Outcomes for the AS Degree
Outcome #1: Communication-Written & Oral
Goal: The student communicates effectively in both written and oral formats. (last assessed: Spring 2015 and Spring 2016)
Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Address specific audiences on a variety of topics for specific purposes and within specific formats
2. Adapt one's message to different discourse communities
3. Observe conventions of Standard English usage, grammar, syntax, punctuation, and mechanics
4. Provide appropriate, accurate, and fair support for one's claims, based on audience and discipline
5. Anticipate and respond respectfully to an audience's opinions, questions, and counter-arguments
6. Speak with clarity and appropriate volume
Outcome #2: Inquiry & Analysis
Goal: The student gathers, interprets and analyzes information. (last assessed: 2010-2011)
Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Use appropriate research methodologies
2. Collect, organize, and analyze information
3. Identify patterns and relationships of social and physical phenomena
4. Draw appropriate conclusions from the data
5. Design and execute discipline-specific research projects
Outcome #3: Critical Thinking
Goal: The student demonstrates the ability to think critically, abstractly, and logically. (last assessed: 2010-2011)
Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Formulate a hypothesis/thesis
2. Establish criteria for evaluation AND select or construct a method for testing the hypothesis
3. Reason from sound premises to a valid conclusion
4. Apply knowledge to new situations
5. Synthesize knowledge
Outcome #4: Civic Engagement and Human Diversity
Goal: The student exhibits social and ethical responsibility and is aware of her or his place in the global community.
(last assessed: 2012)
Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Analyze contemporary multicultural, global, and international questions in a diverse setting.
2. Acknowledge and respect that there are various ways of thinking, communicating, and interacting, for example, by working
with culturally diverse groups towards a larger goal.
 Identify diverse moral and intellectual perspectives, principles, systems, and structures. Articulate the value of cross cultural and community activities and their impact on the lives of others.
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Outcome #5: Quantitative Skills (new/draft – Fall 2016)
Goal: The student considers mathematical models within real-world contexts to make good predictions, judgements, and
decisions.
Student Learning Outcomes:
1. Represent information symbolically, visually, numerically, and verbally.
2. Use mathematics to help determine reasonableness, identify alternatives, and select optimal results.
3. Recognize and show good judgement regarding the limits of mathematical methods.