2016-17 Student Learning Assessment Report, Academic

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Mission:

The American Studies Program at Siena College provides an interdisciplinary approach to the study of the American experience

Major/Program Student Learning Outcomes Students will be able to	2. Phase	3. Assessment Procedures (Planning/ determining)	4. Assessment Results (Collecting/ ana lyzing)	5. Use of Results (Discussing/ using results)	6. Determining if changes impacted student learning
Students will understand and apply interdisciplinary theories and methods to a relevant question regarding the American Experience. Criteria: (How do you know students are achieving learning outcome?) 80% of students met or exceeded standards based on final exam grade.	Discussing	Method: (ex. tests, presentations, research paper) Final exam Using a Sample of Students? No If yes, describe your sample. When does assessment occur? At the end of the semester How often does assessment occur? Once	80% of students met or exceeded standards. Learning Outcome Met? (Based on Criteria) Yes	The co-directors need to determine a more specific learning goal here.	

Students will apply an interdisciplinary approach to a relevant question of their creation regarding the American experience, using primary and secondary sources to write an effective thesis paper. Criteria: (How do you know students are achieving learning outcome?) Final grade on AMST Capstone	Discussing	Method: (ex. tests, presentations, research paper) Capstone paper Using a Sample of Students? No If yes, describe your sample. When does assessment occur? End of semester How often does assessment occur? Once a year	Learning Outcome Met? (Based on Criteria) Yes	A detailed rubric has been created. It might be more useful to choose one of the aspects of this rubric to examine rather than a vague "pass/no pass."	
3. Students will evaluate varieties of the American experience and meaningfully consider questions of American exceptionalism, identity, and diversity in a civil and constructive manner. Criteria: (How do you know students are achieving learning outcome?) AMST: American Dream discussion and participation.	Discussing	Method: (ex. tests, presentations, research paper) Class participation Using a Sample of Students? No If yes, describe your sample. When does assessment occur? Throughout semester How often does assessment occur? End of semester	Learning Outcome Met? (Based on Criteria) Yes	Same as above. Directors should consider choosing and evaluating one aspect at a time: American exceptionalism, identity, or diversity.	