Degree Program Assessment Plan

Degree Program - AS - Political Science (PHD)

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Student Learning Outcome: Multivariate Statistical Procedures_1
Students will demonstrate a mastery of multivariate statistical procedures as applied to different data structures.
Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Program
Start Date: 07/01/2015

Assessment Methods

- Exam - final exam in the 1st Graduate quantitative methods class (Active)
  Criterion: 90% of students should answer correctly

- Essays - second year paper (Active)
  Criterion: 90% of students will demonstrate understanding of multivariate statistics

Student Learning Outcome: Understanding of two fields_1
Students will demonstrate an understanding of major concepts and theories in at least two fields of Political Science.
Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
Start Date: 07/01/2015

Assessment Methods

- Qualifying Exam - successful completion of qualifying exam in first field (Active)
  Criterion: 90% of students should pass

- Qualifying Exam - completion of qualifying exam in second substantive field (Active)
  Criterion: 90% of students should receive a passing grade

Student Learning Outcome: Conduct independent research_1
Students will demonstrate an ability to conduct independent research through the presentation of second year papers and conference papers.
**Student Learning Outcome: Classroom instruction effectiveness_1**

Students will demonstrate effectiveness in classroom instruction.

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<td><strong>Employment</strong> - serving as a teaching assistant for at least one academic year (Active)</td>
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<td><strong>Criterion:</strong> all Ph.D. students must complete satisfactorily</td>
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<td><strong>Employment</strong> - successfully designing and teaching one's own class (Active)</td>
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<td><strong>Criterion:</strong> 40% of Ph.D. must teach their own class before accepting a post-doc, instructor, or Assistant Professor position.</td>
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**Student Learning Outcome: Commitment to Research_1**

Students will demonstrate a commitment, and ability, to conduct continuous research

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<td><strong>Essays</strong> - present a second (not dissertation related) substantive research paper at an academic conference (Active)</td>
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<td><strong>Dissertation</strong> - successfully defend a dissertation of sufficient quality (Active)</td>
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