Assessment: Assessment Plan

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Degree Program - AS - Political Science (PHD)

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Modality: Face-to-Face

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.

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Assessment Methods

Essays - production of a research paper that is presented at a reputable academic conference (Active)
Criterion: 75% of students should complete this task prior to completion of the dissertation

Essays - second year paper (Active)
Criterion: 90% of students should produce a paper of acceptable quality to a faculty review committee

Student Learning Outcome: Classroom unstruction effectiveness_1

Students will demonstrate effectiveness in classroom instruction.

Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
Start Date: 07/01/2015

Assessment Methods

Employment - serving as a teaching assistant for at least one academic year (Active)
Criterion: all Ph.D. students must complete satisfactorily

Employment - successfully designing and teaching one's own class (Active)
Criterion: 40% of Ph.D. must teach their own class before accepting a post-Doc, instructor, or Assistant Professor position.

Student Learning Outcome: Commitment to Research_1

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

Outcome Status: Active
Outcome Type: Student Learning
Start Date: 07/01/2015

Assessment Methods

Essays - present a second (not dissertation related) substantive research paper at an academic conference (Active)
Criterion: 50% of Ph.D. students must complete this task

Dissertation - successfully defend a dissertation of sufficient quality (Active)
Criterion: 80% of entering Ph.D. students must complete this

Student Learning Outcome: Knowledge of specific field(s)

Students will demonstrate an in-depth knowledge of concepts, literature and research traditions in at least one field of Political Science.

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Assessment Methods

Course Level Assessment - All students submit an annual self-evaluation during each spring semester describing their course performance, professional activities, and progress to date toward the M.A. These annual evaluations are reviewed each spring by the department?s Graduate Affairs Committee and the Director of Political Science Graduate Programs. From these annual self-evaluations the Committee and Director determine which students have, and which have not, met the expected outcomes (Active)