Fall 2014 SLO Assessment Report

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Library: Library Science 101

1. a) One course Library Science 101 Section 0313 was assessed in Fall 2014
   b) The benchmark (70%) for student success was reached

2. Summarize Results

We have two Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) for this class

Upon successful completion of this course, a student will be able to:

- Apply effective research strategies to find and evaluate print and online sources on an identified topic.
- Cite sources correctly following the Modern Language Association (MLA) and/or American Psychological Association (APA) citation style.

The benchmark was achieved for both SLOs 82% of students surveyed found and evaluated sources on a selected topic and 81% cited their sources correctly.

3. Summarize Changes

I introduced the final assessment much earlier in the course and I reviewed the requirement for all assessments and the course SLOs in each class. Students have the greatest difficulty evaluating sources, I plan on giving more in-class examples and practice evaluating sources in new ways next time. Students also had difficulty alphabetizing the “Works Cited” or Reference lists. Next time I plan on previewing their lists before they submit the final assessment.

4. Follow-Up

SLO #1 Assessed students scored 82% in fall compared to 75% in spring 2014.

SLO#2 Assessed students scored 81% in fall compared to 66% in spring.

Recommended changes were implemented and the follow-up textbook completed in the SLO online system. Student learning has been improved.

The results have been shared and discussed with faculty in the department.