## College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) 2016 - 2017 Yearly **Assessment Report**

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#### NOTES:

- 2016-2017 Yearly Assessment Reports for all CAS Majors, Minors, Graduate Programs, and Non-Degree Seeking Programs are due by 10/28/17; early submissions are welcome.
  - Undergraduate programs (majors and minors) must include two curricular maps – one showing how courses map onto Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs) and one showing how PLOs map onto Institutional Learning Outcomes (ILOs).
  - Graduate programs must include one curricular map showing how courses map onto PLOs.
  - Non-degree seeking programs must include one curricular map showing how PLOs map onto ILOs.
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Identifying	Information	
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#### Name of Program \*

Dance

Type of Program *
Minor
College of Arts and Sciences Division *
Arts -
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Submissions via the following Google form are strongly encouraged.
However, if your department/program wishes to upload its assessment report in lieu of completing this form, you can do so here. Would you like to
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Please upload a PDF version of your Yearly Assessment Report here: \*

Please upload your program's PLO x Courses Curriculum map here (all file types allowed) \*

Please upload your program's PLO x ILO Curriculum map here (all file types allowed)

If you would like to upload any other files (i.e. rubrics used to evaluate student work products, scripts/surveys/other indirect methods used to evaluate student work), you may upload them here. Please use descriptive file names (i.e. "SociologyAssessmentRubric").

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Mission Statement

Please type and/or copy-and-paste directly into the space below:

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Our Department offers the unique Performing Arts and Social Justice major, with concentrations in dance, music, and theater. The faculty and staff are committed to providing coursework, activities, and productions that acknowledge and study the performing arts' role as an agent of creative and social transformation. We strive to achieve academic and artistic excellence in the classroom, on stage, and in the community, while working towards a more humane and just society.

## Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

Please type and/or copy-and-paste directly into the space below:

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Dance Minor
Program Learning Outcomes

- 1. Analyze principles, works and methodologies in Dance within their socio-historical contexts.
- 2. Apply technique and conceptual skills to creative and scholarly Dance practices.
- Explain how Dance contributes to a humane and just society.

# Curriculum Maps

Please upload your Curriculum Maps below. All file types (Excel, PDF, etc.) are allowed.

#### Please upload your PLOs to Courses Curriculum map here \*



#### Please upload your PLOs to ILOs Curriculum map here \*



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Assessment Methods

Which of your Program Learning Outcomes did you assess during 2016-2017? \*

#3. Explain how Dance contributes to a humane and just society.

What student work products did you use to assess your PLO(s)? Pick one or more direct methods from the list below and briefly describe below what specific work product(s) you used. \*

	Published (Standardized) Test (e.g., Major Field Test)
	Class Tests & Quizzes with Embedded Questions
	Class Presentations
	Off-Campus Presentations (NGOs, clients, agencies, etc.
<b>~</b>	Research Projects Reports
	Case Studies
	Term Papers
	Portfolio
	Artistic Performances, Recitals & Products
	Capstone Projects
	Poster Presentations
	Comprehensive Exams
	Thesis, Dissertation
	Pass Rates on Certification or Licensure Exams
	Group Projects
	In-/Out-of Class Presentations
	Competency Interviews (e.g., oral exams)
	Simulations
	Juried Presentations

Brief description of student work products used to assess PLOs: \*

Final Portfolio/Paper on artist for Dance and Social History Course

What tools did you use to evaluate the student work product(s) (e.g. rubric, test score)? \*

Rubric

Please upload any tools used to evaluate student work product(s) here in PDF format only. Please use descriptive file names (e.g. "SociologyAssessmentRubric.PDF").



Who evaluated the student work product? Check all that apply. \*

FT faculty members who were not instructor(s) of the course(s)

FT faculty members who were instructor(s) of the course(s)

PT faculty members who were not instructor(s) of the course(s)

PT faculty members who were instructor(s) of the course(s)

Other:

Describe the calibration procedure you employed, if any (i.e., how did you assure that faculty raters were consistent with each other in how they rated the student work products):

2 work products were rated by 3 faculty members and scores were compared for calibration

### What indirect methods did you employ, if any?

<b>✓</b>	Student Survey	
	Student Interview	
	Focus Groups	
	Reflection Sessions	
	Reflection Essays	
	Faculty Survey	
	Exit (end of program) Survey	
	Exit (end of program) Interview	
	Alumni Survey	
	Employer Survey	
	Diaries or Journals	
	Data from Institutional Surveys	
	Curriculum/Syllabus Analysis	
	Other:	
Please indicate and briefly describe what indirect methods you used (and/or attach the survey/script/interview below).		
Student evaluations at conclusion of course		

Attach survey/script/interview here as needed

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#### What were the direct data results? \*

75% os students in the Dance Minor are meeting all PLOs

#### What were the indirect data results? (If applicable)

Course is rigorous, students acknowledge they did not know there was more to dance studies than technique/performing and choreography.

#### How do you interpret these results? What do they mean? \*

The work product assessment indicated that we are meeting our PLO #3 at a high level. It also revealed that assignments might be even more explicit in the ways they lead up to articulation of the PLO.

## Closing the Loop

"Assessment is most likely to lead to improvement when it is part of a larger set of conditions that promote change: Assessment alone changes little. Its greatest contribution comes on campuses where the quality of teaching and learning is visibly valued and worked at. On such campuses, the push to improve educational performance is a visible and primary goal of leadership; improving the quality of undergraduate education is central to the institution's planning, budgeting, and personnel decisions. On such campuses, information about learning outcomes is seen as an integral part of decision making, and avidly sought."

--9 Principles of Good Practice for Assessing Student Learning: American Association for Higher Education

Purpose: In the current field of higher education today, Assessment of student learning is seen as a critical tool to assist in the mission of student centered education. It is a way for faculty and the other university constituents involved in learning to use data driven results to bring about needed curricular or programmatic changes to improve student outcomes.

In the previous section, you have analyzed the data to get some critical insights into student learning. This section is for our way forward, and touches upon a few core areas:

What might you do as a result of these assessment results? What curricular or programmatic changes might you implement? *		
	Revision of PLOs	
<b>~</b>	Changes in pedagogical practices	
	Revision of program course sequence	
	Revision of course(s) content	
	Curriculum Changes (e.g. addition and/or deletion of courses)	
	Modified program policies or procedures	
<b>~</b>	Designed measurement tools more aptly suited for the task	
	Improved within and across school/college collaboration	
	Improved within and across school/college communication	
	Revised student learning outcomes in one or more courses	
	Modified rubric	
	Developed new rubric	
<b>~</b>	Developed more stringent measures (key assessments)	
	Modified course offering schedules	
	Changes to faculty and/or staff	
	Changes in program modality of delivery	

Other: Modify specific course assignments

#### Description of the Proposed Changes (as checked above): \*

Our PASJ Major and by association the Dance Minor are currently undergoing revisions following our APR. Many specific changes in the Dance Minor will follow form here. However, based on these results the primary changes are to create more targeted assignments and collect sample work products in courses that can support assessment of the PLOs. This may also affect pedagogical practices leading to new/modified assignments.

Amendments to your assessment plan: If, in course of conducting current assessment, you felt a need to amend the assessment plan itself for future assessments, please discuss it here in a few sentences: \*

Not sure of question. We just developed this new assessment plan this year, which was a revision of our earlier approach, so as of now, no changes needed.

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