

SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.3 Institutional Effectiveness

2015-2016

Major: BBA Accounting

The faculty members of the BBA Accounting program have developed an assessment plan that includes student learning outcomes aligned with the appropriate level university and College of Business learning goals. The learning goals, assessment measures and results for the BBA Accounting program are listed below:

Learning Goal 1: Demonstrate proficiency in problem solving through analytical thinking, critical analysis, and/or creativity, as applied to a business problem.

Semester: Spring

Course(s) where objective is measured: Management 3305 – Production and Operations Management. To access this learning goal, students were assigned a critical thinking project and presentation. Students were individually scored on a 1 (low) to 4 (high) range.

Rubric:

4 - Excellent	3 – Good	2 - Fair	1 - Poor
Excellent identification and analysis of project	Good identification and analysis of project	Fair identification and analysis of project	Poor identification and analysis of project

Intended Results: Students' cumulative average score would be 3.0 for the project and presentation.

Actual Results: 32 students completed the project and presentation and had a cumulative average score as follows:

Critical thinking project and presentation	3.75
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Learning Goal 2: Demonstrate competency in basic business skills in the areas of: (a) interpersonal oral and written communications, (b) quantitative literacy, and in the use of productivity software.

Semester: Fall/Spring

As a business core objective, this goal is measured across two separate areas: interpersonal oral and written communications and quantitative literacy and use of productivity software.

LG2a - Course(s) where objective is measured: interpersonal oral and written communications is measured in English 3352 – Business Communications using a written research project and presentation. Only business majors were included in the assessment.

Rubric:

5 – Superior	4 – Strong	3 – Proficient	2 – Weak	1 – Unsatisfactory
Consistently develops relevant, appropriate, and correct content for the audience, purpose, and communication task.	Frequently develops relevant, appropriate, and correct content for the audience, purpose, and communication task.	Occasionally develops relevant, appropriate, and correct content for the audience, purpose, and communication task.	Infrequently develops relevant, appropriate, and correct content for the audience, purpose, and communication task.	Seldom develops relevant, appropriate, and correct content for the audience, purpose, and communication task.

Intended Results: Class average of 75 or higher on final written and oral presentation of assignment

Actual Results: Class average over 2 sections was 3.26 on the 5-point rubric. Note: there appears to be some disparity between the two classes with one averaging 3.55 and the other class 2.7.

LG2b Course(s) - Quantitative literacy and the use of productivity software are measured in BCIS 1305 Business Computer Information Systems. Students were assigned a project to (1) use Excel for creating, editing and formatting a workbook and (2) use basic level functions, formulas and chart tools.

Rubric:

5 – Superior Learning Goal is addressed in an excellent manner	4 – Strong Learning Goal is addressed in a good manner	3 – Proficient Learning Goal is addressed in an average manner	2 – Weak Learning Goal addressed, but not sufficiently	1 – Unsatisfactory Learning Goal unaddressed or addressed in an unacceptable manner
Exceptional use of technology including: proper use of spreadsheets to analyze data and financial information	Above components present and applied with minor omissions/errors.	Missing one component, other components correctly employed with only minor stylistic	Missing two or more components, but with other components adequately employed.	Inappropriate use of technology including but not limited to: improperly formatted; inconsistent formatting; inappropriate pages breaks; incorrect

		omissions/errors.		use of margins; and did not employ graphs, tables and charts as appropriate
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Intended Results: Students' cumulative average will be 3.5 based on the rubric above.

Actual Results: Students' cumulative average in the fall, 2015 assessment was 3.52 and 3.58 in the spring, 2016 term.

Learning Goal 3: Demonstrate knowledge of contemporary theory and practice in their chosen area of specialization.

Semester: Spring, 2016

Course(s) where objective is measured: Accounting 3304

Rubric: Students were individually scored on a 1 (low) to 4 (high) range.

Intended Result: Students will score at or above 2.5 on the final exam.

Actual Result: Students scored an average of 3.04 on final exam

Summative results from MFT for accounting majors across all 9 assessment indicators are also used to determine how well management students perform across the core subject areas

Assessment Indicator Number	Assessment Indicator Title	Accounting Major (n=28) Average MFT: 155
1	Accounting	55 (98th percentile)
2	Economics	39
3	Management	51
4	Quantitative Business Analysis	42
5	Finance	48
6	Marketing	57
7	Legal and Social Environment	61
8	Information Systems	54
9	International Issues	40

Learning Goal 4: Demonstrate acceptable ethical awareness and moral reasoning applied to a business situation.

Semester: Fall

Course(s) where objective is measured: BA 1301 – Introduction to Business. To access the learning goal students were assigned two short scenarios and asked to identify the following elements:

- Academic integrity
- Plagiarism
- Copyright infringement

Rubric: Students were individually scored on a 1 (low) to 5 (high) range.

Intended Results: 50% of business majors will complete the exercise and score 3.5 on the rubric.

Actual Results: In the three section of the class with a total enrollment of 166, 90 were classified as BBA students. Forty-six completed the optional assignment or 51% completion rate with an overall average of 3.4

Learning Goal 5: Demonstrate knowledge of basic international business and globalization concepts associated with the practice of business.

Semester: Fall

Course(s) where objective is measured: International Business 3311.

Intended Results: Students will be tested on their knowledge of current issues related to globalization as part of their final exam. Students are expected to score 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

Results: Students scored 2.7 on the assessment.