

Supplemental Assessment Report Matrix

Department/Activity:

History

Date: 6/15/03

Program: Core Courses, Undergraduate Major, and Graduate Programs.

Mission: Give students an acquaintance with, and appreciation for, our historical heritage. Enable them to see the relationships among causes and effects in the historical development of the nation, other countries, and other civilizations. Assist the students' development of critical thinking, including the analysis and evaluation of historical evidence, and the ability to integrate and interpret data.

Expected Results	Assessment Tools	Assessment Results	Action(s) Taken	Resources Required
<p>All Programs (i.e. Core Courses, Undergraduate Major, MA/History, MAT/Social Studies):</p> <p>Appropriate to level of course and students involved, development of knowledge; development of critical and analytical faculties; examination and understanding of causal relationships in history; enhancement of reading and writing skills; learning how to use library and electronic resources for research and reference; and understanding the historical method and its application to historical research.</p>	<p>Departmental pre- and post-test assessment exams in core courses.</p> <p>Analysis of new teaching obligations acquired by history department over last 5 years (please see documentation in last year's assessment report).</p>	<p>Overall goal was met but several sections taught by adjunct professors performed poorly.</p> <p>Indicates that annual teaching obligations of department have expanded by the equivalent of 1.5 faculty members without commensurate addition of permanent faculty.</p>	<p>Recommend addition of a new permanent faculty position to department to help meet its expanded obligations and to help correct shortcomings in assessment results mentioned in this report—with particular attention to the core history courses.</p>	<p>Authorization from appropriate officials to increase number of permanent (tenure-track) slots in department from 12 to 13 and to launch a search to fill proposed new position.</p>