## Departmental and Program Assessment 2015-2016 Annual Assessment Plan Basic Update

Ac	ademic Year:2016
Academic Unit: Foreign Languages	
Chair: Lilian Contreras-Silva	
Student Assessment Plan (SAP) – Basic Check-list	
1.	Have any changes been made to your program's student assessment plan or student learning goals? Your recent version should be on the web at <a href="http://www.hendrix.edu/academics/academics.aspx?id=7264">http://www.hendrix.edu/academics/academics.aspx?id=7264</a> . If you have made changes, then attach a copy of the new plan or goals.
	<b>x</b> yes no
2.	Are student learning goals available to students on the web on the departmental/programmatic page(s)? If not, then this needs to occur during the next academic year.
	X yes □ no
3.	Are student learning goals, appropriate for each course, included in the course syllabi in your department or program? If not, then this will be considered as an action plan for the coming year.
	□X yes □ no

**Student Assessment Plan Development** - Departments and programs who have a complete and current SAP should consider the next step in SAP development.

1. As a next step in SAP development, departments/programs are encouraged begin working on an assessment audit to determine how student learning goals fit across the courses in the major. Sometimes the term "scaffolding" is used to describe this process. This could be as complicated as a full grid of student learning goals, or a single learning goal, across the courses in the major. (This has not been required of departments, but it is a recommended next step when the SAP is up to date.) Has your program already done this?

yes Xno If yes, please provide any **new** results in either in prose or as a table. If no, then this could be the next annual action plan for your program.

Yearly Assessment Report – each department or program is expected to have assessment discussions for at least two hours each academic year. As we move toward the next NCA-HLC evaluation, we need to work on documenting these meetings. If necessary, help is available from David Sutherland, just call.

- 1. What was your planned action item identified in your last report? We wanted to develop a rubric to assess our FL classes.
- 2. Briefly summarize the topics discussed in your annual assessment meeting. We discussed whether or not we should "standardize" our assessment responses; we decided it against it.
- 3. What was the conclusion of your assessment discussion and how did the collected assessment data inform your conclusion? Specifically describe any curricular or programmatic changes that have been made that were based, at least in part, on the data in your SAP.

The data showed that we are achieving our learning goals in French.

4. Define one new action item for your assessment discussions next year.

We will most likely re-visit the notion of standardizing our assessment report responses.

5. Does your department or program have a summary assessment file in the chair's office? During external visits, random departments or programs will be selected by NCA-HLC to show and discuss assessment activities.

Yes.