TEC Assessment Report 2021-2022

TEC Working Group Assessment Meeting, April 26, 2022, 1:00-2:00 p.m. SLTC 222 Present: Pete Gess, ex-officio, Cathy Jellenik, Kiril Kolev, ex-officio, John Krebs, Maureen McClung, Sasha Pfau, convener

TEC Workshop Assessment Presentation, May 16, 2022 in Murphy Seminar Room Present: Jonathan Hancock, Lars Seme, Wenjia Liu, Rod Miller, Ann Muse, Rebecca Resinski, Andres Caro, Gretchen Renshaw-James, Maureen McClung, William Haden Chomphosy, Mark Goadrich, Pete Gess, John Krebs, Cathy Jellenik, Lindsay Kennedy, Delphia Shanks, Felipe Pruneda Senties, Todd Tinsley, Kiril Koley, Antonio Horne, Sasha Pfau

For 2021-2022, the TEC Working Group focused on Learning Goal 4: The ability to engage in and reflect on experiential learning that connects directly to the classroom experience, preparing the students for vibrant Odyssey experiences later in their Hendrix careers. Our Workshop programming in 2021 included an increased focus on the engaged learning component of the course, and particularly on highlighting the connection between that engaged learning component and preparation for future Odyssey experiences, including building reflection skills and making connections between engaged learning and the classroom. As you can see from the Appendix, our direct assessment from Faculty indicated that student performance was highest in this learning goal, with only 18% of students being rated as unsatisfactory or needing improvement, 43% in the high achieving category, and 39% rated as competent. In terms of indirect assessment, 80% of students agreed that the experiential learning component connected to the classroom experience, and 73% agreed that it had clear goals that related to the theme of engaged citizenship. Student comments varied, with some citing specific ways that the course helped prepare them for their future Odyssey careers and others saying that they did not feel that this goal was achieved. Some students seem to expect a more concrete outcome (more similar to what happens in an Explorations class) to introduce them to Odyssey, rather than thinking more widely about the skills of experiential learning. This may be an issue with the phrasing of the question or with faculty discussion of the experiential learning component. We will continue to discuss these issues in future Workshops.

We note that the Assessment Committee recommended in their 2022 letter that we consider disaggregating writing and discussion in our Direct Assessment data collection. The TEC Working Group will spend some time in the Fall considering changes to our Assessment Tools, both Direct and Indirect, as we have now come to the end of a cycle of focusing on each Learning Goal in turn and are now returning to Learning Goal 1 for 2022-2023. This is a good time to consider making changes to our data collection to help us narrow in on particular issues and see how we might be able to improve.

Appendix: Assessment Results





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This course led me to examine the concept of engaged citizenship.	79%		13%	6 <mark>7%</mark>
The course content led me to explore my future role as an engaged citizen.	71%		19%	9%
This course increased my awareness of the evidence and methods from two distinct	84%		10	% <mark>6%</mark>
This course caused me to make connections between these two distinct disciplines.	85%		72	% <mark>7%</mark>
Having two professors teach this course enhanced my learning.	76%		14%	10%
As a result of this course, I have strengthened my ability to express arguments in writing.	73%		18%	8%
As a result of this course, I have strengthened my ability to express arguments in discussion.	73%		18%	8%
The experiential learning component had clear goals that related to the theme of the	73%		17%	8%
The experiential learning component connected to the classroom experience.	80%		13%	% <mark>6%</mark>
This course contributed to the development of my academic skills.	77%		16%	7%
The course content was relevant to my liberal arts education at Hendrix.	78%		11%	11%
The course content was challenging.	54%	30%	1	7%
The learning goals for this course were clearly articulated.	76%		15%	8%
Overall, taking this course was a positive learning experience.	81%		10%	5 <mark>9%</mark>



Learning Goal #2: Multidisciplinarity

2021 84% 6% This course increased my awareness of 2020 86% 6% the evidence and methods from two 2019 86% 7% distinct disciplines. 2018 84% 8% 2017 10% 80% 2016 3% 88% 2015 86% 4% 2014 86% 4% 2013 80% 10% 2021 7% 85% This course caused me to make 2020 89% 6% connections between these two distinct 2019 88% 6% 2018 87% 7% disciplines. 2017 80% 10% 2016 83% 9% 2015 86% 3% 2014 87% 3% 2013 11% 75% 2021 76% 10% Having two professors teach this course 2020 81% 7% 2019 81% 8% enhanced my learning. 2018 71% 16% 2017 68% 13% 2016 11% 74% 2015 78% 9% 2014 78% 7% 2013 15% 66% 20% 30% 40% 0% 10% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 100% Agree Neutral Disagree

LG#3: Expression of Arguments



LG#4: Experiencial Learning

2021 73% 8% The experiential learning component 2020 81% 7% had clear goals that related to the 73% 7% 2019 theme of the engaged citizen. 9% 2018 76% 2017 71% 12% 75% 8% 2016 8% 2015 73% 2014 75% 7% 2013 63% 14% 2021 6% 80% 81% 5% 2020 The experiential learning component 2019 81% 4% connected to the classroom 7% 2018 82% experience. 2017 9% 76% 3% 2016 80% 2015 79% 6% 2014 74% 3% 2013 67% 11% 20% 30% 50% 60% 70% 80% 90% 0% 10% 40% ■ Agree ■ Neutral ■ Disagree

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