

TEMPLATE No. 3: Assessment Data for the Evidence of Student Learning and the Use of Evidence

EVIDENCE OF STUDENT LEARNING

Learning Outcome to be assessed: Summative Writing Assignment on the Nature, Authority, and Use of Scripture

Program Learning Outcome 2: Interpret Scripture especially as related to preaching and teaching in the local church

Outcome Measure (assignment and schedule):

Signature Assignment: The final, summative, "signature" assignment for CMI 635 is a 5-7 page paper reviewing the nature and authority of Scripture and how it can be effectively incorporated into the worship of a local congregation or in your place of ministry service.

Criteria for Success (if applicable): Students are to score 80% or higher on distinguished or commendable

Longitudinal Data Table: First time assessed in the new curriculum revision.

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Conclusions Drawn from Data:

Paper is clearly written and employs conventions of writing for an academic setting.	Reflects learning outcomes, readings, and discussions of course	Articulates the nature and authority of Scripture, with special attention to the unity of the canon and its witness to Christ	Applies theological reflection and practice of interpretation of Scripture into the life of a local church or place of ministry
Distinguished 7	Distinguished 9	Distinguished 5	Distinguished 5
Commendable 6	Commendable 4	Commendable 5	Commendable 4
Adequate 2	Adequate 2	Adequate 5	Adequate 7
Minimal 1	Minimal 1	Minimal 1	Minimal 0

Assignment Details (from Course's Canvas Site):

The final, summative, "signature" assignment for CMI 635 is a 5-7 page paper reviewing the nature and authority of Scripture and how it can be effectively incorporated into the worship of a local congregation or in your place of ministry service.

This should utilize and develop the theological and exegetical rationale for at least one, if not more, of your videos made in the last several weeks of class. Those videos should represent the implementation of the theology and theory of Scripture you articulate here. Make sure to incorporate and appropriately cite our course textbooks and reading materials.

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Here are topics to consider including:

How has your view, understanding, and use of Scripture changed or been shaped through your readings, writing, dialogue with peers, and learning in this course? (Be specific.)

What is Scripture? How can we clarify the distinctions between the Scriptural texts and the One to whom they point?

How do we use inspired Scripture to inspire worship of the living God? (Be specific.)

What is the significance of canon? How does its history and nature impact our use today? (Give examples.)

What is the importance of the literary genres of Scripture? How might these genres impact or shape our reading and application of the Bible into our lives and practices? (Be specific.)

What does a Christocentric reading of Scripture look like (and not look like)? (Provide examples.)

* In what aspect of Scripture's nature does your local church (or place of ministry) most need education and formation? How do you plan to undertake this? (Be specific.)

Conclude by rewriting your one-sentence theology of Scripture that you submitted for the first week of our class. Make sure any alterations (or things you retain) fit with your reflections on the nature, authority, and use of Scripture above.

Changes to be Made Based on Data:

Based on data, no changes seem necessary at this time.

Rubric Used:

See below

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Grading Rubric:

	Distinguished (5) (90 – 100%)	Commendable (4) (80 – 89%)	Adequate (3) (70 – 79%)	Minimal (2) (60 – 69%)	Unacceptable (1) (50 – 59%)
Organization	The reflections have a clear structure. Each paragraph is concise and talks about only one idea. There are transitions between paragraphs that create a logical progression. The progression builds from premise(s) to conclusion in a way that supports the thesis.	The reflections have a clear recognizable structure but is not always easy to follow due to some disordered paragraphs or weak transitions. Some paragraphs attempt too much. Others do not seem to be clearly related to the overall thesis.	The reflections are apparent but can be a bit confusing, with jumps or missing logic. Transitions tend to be weak or illogical. Topic sentences don't clearly declare the subject of the paragraph, or the paragraphs drift from their topics.	The reflections are apparent but is very confusing. Transitions are often weak or illogical. Topic sentences don't clearly declare the subject of the paragraph, or the paragraph, or the paragraphs drift from their topics.	There is no recognizable structure. Sentences and / or paragraphs drift from idea to idea. The essay lacks transitions between paragraphs.
Content	The reflections are very clear and concepts are articulated. The student limited the scope of the paper enabling them to add depth to the argument.	The reflections are clear and concepts are articulated. The student paper lacks depth and insight.	The reflections are vague and the concepts are lacking. The student's paper lacks depth and insight.	The reflections are significantly vague and the concepts are significantly lacking in depth and insight.	The reflections are not clear and concepts are not present. The paper's content is very poor.
Sources and Citation	The paper uses the appropriate number of substantive sources and used a professional citation style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.)	The paper uses the appropriate number of substantive sources but only uses some of the professional citation style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.)	Few of the sources are substantive. Most are used peripherally. For the most part, the paper consistently and accurately uses a professional citation style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.)	Few of the sources are substantive. Most are used peripherally. The paper does not use a professional citation style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.)	No sources or citation page.

Writing and Grammar	Sentences are clear and concise, with college-level diction. There is variation in sentence structure. There are no significant errors in spelling, grammar, or formatting.	Sentences not always clear and with some informal diction. Sentence structure is generally varied. There are very few errors in spelling, grammar, or formatting	Some sentences lack clarity. Little sentence variety. Diction is informal or simplistic. Spelling, grammar, and / or format errors occasionally become distracting.	Sentence structure is repetitive or simple. Diction is inappropriate for college writing. Spelling, grammar, or format errors overwhelm the reader	The writing made the paper very difficult to read and to follow. Significant improvement is needed.
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Learning Outcome to be assessed:

Program Learning Outcome 3: Explain the nature, mission and social context of the Church, especially as related to ecclesial practices and the leadership of the pastor in the local congregation.

Outcome Measure

Signature Assignment: Ecclesiology and Mission Paper. Write a 1000-1500 essay that reflects your understanding of a Wesleyan Ecclesiology (if this is your tradition, if not write from your own tradition) as it relates to your understanding of *mission dei*. In your paper include bibliography materials to support your claims. It is important that this paper include both the theoretical/theological and practical aspects.

Criteria for Success: All students distinguished or commendable

Longitudinal Data Table: First time assessed in the new curriculum revision. (There has been assessment done on this class in the past, but the assignment was different).

AY	Course	N	Ecclesiology	Social Context	Pastoral Leadership	Comments
			Minimum Standard of Success for Each Measure = 2			
16-17	MMIN646		13/15 (85.5%)	12/15 (80%)	12/15 (80%)	Faculty assessor #1
14-15	MMIN646	15	15/17 (88.2%)	10/17 (58.8%)	9/17 (52.9%)	Faculty assessor #1.
			10/14 (71.4%)	10/14 (71.4%)	11/14 (78.6%)	Faculty assessor #2.

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Conclusions Drawn from Data:

The results are: 16 students

Distinguished (90-100) – eight students

Commendable (80-89) – seven students

Adequate (70-79) –

Minimal (60-69) –

Failure (59-0) – 1 student

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Organization	The paper has a clear structure. Each paragraph is concise and talks about only one idea. There are transitions between paragraphs that create a logical progression. The progression builds from premise(s) to conclusion in a way that supports the thesis.	The paper has a clear, recognizable structure but is not always easy to follow due to some disordered paragraphs or weak transitions. Some paragraphs attempt too much. Others don't seem to be clearly related to the overall thesis.	The paper's theme or argument is apparent but can be a bit confusing, with jumps or missing logic. Transitions tend to be weak or illogical. Topic sentences don't clearly declare the subject of the paragraph, or the paragraphs drift from their topics.	The paper's theme or argument is somewhat apparent but is presented in unclear or confusing ways. Transitions are often weak or illogical. Topic sentences don't clearly declare the subject of the paragraph, or the paragraphs drift from their topics.	There is no recognizable structure in the paper. Sentences and/or paragraphs drift from idea to idea. The essay lacks transitions between paragraphs.
Content	The paper is very clear and concepts are articulated. The student limited the scope of the paper, enabling him or her to add depth to the argument.	The paper is clear and concepts are articulated relatively effectively.	The paper tends toward vagueness and its ideas or arguments are difficult to identify. The paper lacks depth and insight.	The paper is significantly vague and its ideas significantly lacking in substance, depth, and insight.	The paper is not clear and lacking in real content.
Sources and Citation	The paper uses an appropriate number of substantive sources and consistently utilizes an accepted academic citation style (e.g., APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.).	The paper uses an appropriate number of substantive sources but is inconsistent in its usage of an academic citation style.	Few of the sources are substantive. Most are used peripherally. For the most part, the paper consistently and accurately uses an academic citation style.	Few if any of the sources are substantive. Most are used peripherally. The paper demonstrates no serious awareness of academic citation style.	No sources or citation page., or if present, is entirely lacking in proper utilization or documentation of sources.
Writing and Grammar	Sentences are clear and concise, with college-level diction. There is variation in sentence structure. There are no more than a few errors in spelling, grammar, or format.	Sentences not always clear and with some informal or inappropriate diction. Sentence structure is generally varied. There are some errors in spelling, grammar, or format, but not so many as to be distracting.	Some sentences lack clarity. Little sentence variety. Diction is informal or simplistic. Spelling, grammar, and/or format errors occasionally become distracting.	Sentence structure is repetitive or simple. Diction is inappropriate for college writing. Spelling, grammar, or format errors overwhelm the reader.	The writing made the paper very difficult to read and to follow. Significant improvement is needed.

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Learning Outcome to be assessed:

Program Learning Outcome 4: Analyze theology, ethics, and Church history, especially as related to the Wesleyan tradition and contemporary ministry

Outcome Measure

Signature Assignment: Essay #1: Doctrine of the Trinity for the Church Today: Answer the following prompt drawing upon course readings, discussions, lectures or any other sources you wish: You have decided (or are being asked) to introduce your church to the Nicene creed in an adult class. Consider the following: what would you tell church members to convince them why it is important for them to study, understand (and, I hope, affirm!). Then, outline the key aspects of the historical context of the Nicene council that you consider necessary for them to understand the creed. Identify key figures and ideas that you would need to introduce to make sense of the controversies in early Christianity that gave to the creed's formation (both heretics and defenders of orthodoxy), and ways in which the creed solved (or failed to solve) these controversies. Finally, what would you hope your church members could take away from your lesson(s) that would have practical application for their life in Christ.

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Conclusions Drawn from Data:

The results are:

Distinguished (90-100) – seven students

Commendable (80-89) – five students

Adequate (70-79) –

Minimal (60-69) –

Failure (59-0) –

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