

Assessment Rubric for History Program Learning Outcome #2

Students who complete the program in History will be able to: Identify and analyze change over time in various regions of the world.

Criterion	Minimal Evidence (1pt)	Some Evidence (2 pts)	Sufficient Evidence (3 pts)	Exceptional Evidence (4 pts)
Identification	Incorrectly identifies the historical changes; little understanding of that time and place	Identifies some of the historical changes, but may not be most significant ones; demonstrates limited understanding of that time and place	Identifies many of the historical changes; demonstrates understanding of the people, events, and/or ideas of that time and place	Clearly identifies the most significant historical changes in a particular place and time; demonstrates significant level of understanding about the people, events, and/or ideas of that time and place
Analysis	Little analysis; no explanation of significance	Some analysis of historical changes; little explanation of historical significance	Analyzes the historical changes in less detail; some explanation of historical significance	Detailed analysis of the historical changes in a particular place and time; explains not only what changed, but <i>how</i> and <i>why</i> they changed; demonstrates historical significance of events/ideas/people
Focus	Unfocused; skips between times and places	Somewhat focused	Primarily focused on the appropriate time and place	Clearly and specifically focused on the appropriate time and place
Evidence	Little or no evidence	Limited use of specific details; does not fully support argument	Uses many details, may not fully support argument	Uses significant, specific details to support key points.
Structure & Writing Style (for written work only)	Has frequent errors and meaning is often obscured. Lacks clear organization.	Portions are difficult to understand because of unclear word usage or grammatical errors.	Generally clear and grammatically correct. Occasional minor errors in word usage; still easy to read and follow argument.	Writing is clear and precise; words used correctly; ideas and terms explained thoroughly.