Literature, Journalism, Writing, and Languages (LJWL) FELO Data, Written Communication: Fa2023 - Sp2024

Learning Outcome 1a:

Written: Students will be able to effectively express ideas and information to others through written communication

Outcome Measure: As of Fall 2023, a common final portfolio assignment is given to students in all sections of college composition (WRI 1010 and WRI 1016). A random sampling of these portfolios is scored using the Composition Portfolio Assessment Rubric.

Criteria for Success: Minimum average of 2.5 (out of 4) for each criterion on the Composition Portfolio Assessment Rubric

Aligned with DQP Learning Areas (highlight one or more but not all five):

- 1. Specialized Knowledge
- 2. Broad Integrative Knowledge
- 3. Intellectual Skills/Core Competencies
- 4. Applied and Collaborative Learning, and
- 5. Civic and Global Learning

2023-2024 Data:

Beginning in Fall 2023, all students in all sections of WRI 1010 and WRI 1016 completed a common final portfolio assignment. The portfolio included three elements: a critical reflection essay, a revision exhibit, and a writing exhibit. The fall 2023 semester served as a pilot for this new assessment measure and the portfolio software used to submit and score the student portfolios, and as such the fall 2023 is not included in this report. The Spring 2024 data was gathered by taking a random sampling of students from all sections of WRI 1010 and WRI 1016. Each of these portfolios was then scored by two external reviewers using the Composition Portfolio Assessment Rubric. The scores for each reviewer and portfolio were averaged, and the mean and median scores appear in the table below.

Semester	n		Portfolio Claim & Support	Self- Assessment	Demonstration of Learning	Revision	Presentation
Spring 2024	72	Mean	2.46	2.64	2.67	2.49	2.74
Spring 2024	72	Median	2.50	3.00	2.50	2.50	3.00

Previous Data:

From Spring 2015 to Spring 2023, data was gathered by taking a random sampling of students from all sections of WRI 1010 and WRI 1016. The scores below reflect averages of data collected.

Written Communication Value Rubric - Average Student Scores:

Course	Semester	N	Context & Purpose	Content Development	Genre & Disciplinary Conventions	Sources & Evidence	Control of Syntax & Mechanics
WRI 110	Spring 2015	50	3.26	3.08	2.76	2.62	2.88
WRI 110	Spring 2016	82	3.46	3.22	3.04	3.18	3.05
WRI 110	Spring 2017	37	3.75	3.51	3.51	3.24	3.14
WRI 110	Fall 2017	66	3.47	3.35	3.30	3.41	3.30
WRI 110	Spring 2018	61	3.67	3.27	3.42	3.27	3.30
WRI 110	Fall 2018	57	3.64	3.49	3.33	3.47	3.20
WRI 110	Spring 2019	46	3.57	3.39	3.17	3.41	3.26

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WRI1010 Spring 2020 59 3.53 3.34 3.36 3.27 3. WRI1010 Fall 2020 43 3.79 3.51 3.47 3.60 3.	05 29 49
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WRI1010 Spring 2021 56 3.54 3.27 3.27 3.25 3.	23
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WRI1010 Spring 2022 64 3.56 3.30 3.31 2.97 3.	14
WRI1010 Fall 2022 285 3.37 3.06 3.00 3.00 2.	94
WRI1010 Spring 2023 208 3.48 3.35 3.30 3.39 3.	29
WRI 115 Fall 2013 8 3.25 3.25 2.63 3.38 2.	75
WRI116 Spring 2013* 20 3.40 3.20 3.20 3.45 3.	55
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WRI116 Spring 2014 20 3.80 3.75 3.50 3.70 3.	05
WRI116 Fall 2014 21 3.24 3.29 2.81 3.19 2.	76
WRI116 Spring 2015 16 3.25 2.94 2.75 2.88 2.	63
WRI 116 Spring 2016 30 3.83 3.67 3.30 3.77 3.	20
WRI 116 Spring 2017 25 3.44 3.36 3.48 3.80 3.	08
WRI 116 Fall 2017 12 3.58 3.42 3.17 3.67 3.	08
WRI 116 Spring 2018 20 3.58 2.95 3.05 3.53 2.	95
WRI 116 Fall 2018 7 3.86 2.71 3.29 3.86 3.	00
WRI 116 Spring 2019 16 3.69 3.44 3.56 3.69 3.	56
WRI1016 Fall 2019 13 3.38 3.08 2.77 2.85 2.	77
WRI1016 Spring 2020 14 3.64 3.64 3.29 3.71 3.	36
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*Pre-course writing assessment given on first day of class

** Post-course writing assessment completed of final composition paper

Conclusions Drawn from Data:

Last year's assessment data suggested the need for a revised assessment measure, which we implemented with the launch of the common final portfolio in Fall 2023. Following the Fall 2023 pilot, the Spring 2024 portfolio assessment data showed an approximate average score of 2.5 out of 4 for each of the rubric categories, which aligns with our stated criteria for success.

Changes to be Made Based on Data:

Some of the individual students' scores were artificially low, as their portfolio submissions were missing some of the required portfolio elements, and the reviewers scored those portfolios as incomplete. Moving forward, we will work closely with our instructors and our OIT team to reduce any barriers to submitting complete portfolios students may encounter.

We will also monitor the student portfolios and scores closely in the coming terms to confirm our baseline criteria are accurate and revise the portfolio assignment and/or assessment rubric as necessary.