

## General Education SLOA Summary

General Education Category: Diversity Semester: Fall 2013

Data Summary: (link to excel spread sheet or cut and paste a chart of summary data)

ANT 201		Pass	Fail
Outcome 1	Analyze how varying conditions of the physical and/or cultural environment contribute to human diversity.	34	9
Outcome 2	Reflect on their developing self-awareness of diverse populations and viewpoints as well as how it impacts the way they interact with a changing world.	27	16

N = 43

Discussion of Analysis Results: (narrative in Word format of who, what, where, when, what was discussed and what was determined)

79% of students demonstrated mastery of Outcome 1 and 63% of students demonstrated mastery of Outcome 2. These results are disappointed. Upon review and reflection, it is believed that students need to be more frequently reminded of the need to read and follow prompts. Many students simply failed to follow instructions and did not address all parts of the essay prompts. Some students stated facts without analyzing the relationship between culture, world views and behavior. A more thorough explanation for the need to conduct analysis will hopefully alleviate this problem in the future.

Furthermore, the data is skewed by students who failed to submit essays. If one only looks at the percentage of submissions that demonstrated mastery of the outcomes, pass rates for Outcomes 1 and 2 jump to 94% and 75% respectively.

Plan of Action: (closing the loop)

The instructor intends to spend more instruction time reinforcing the idea that students need to conduct analysis. Simply restating facts and ideas is not adequate. Students need to demonstrate critical thinking and incorporate original ideas in their essays.

Of course encouraging a higher submission rate would improve outcome pass rates as well.

The assignment instructions will be modified to address these issues.