

**Core Assessment Element 3 Report**  
For ENG 2320  
By English Undergraduate Committee

*A separate report needs to be submitted for each assessment plan approved by the Undergraduate Core Oversight Committee (UCOC).*

***This report must be uploaded to the Pilot course called Element 3 Core Course Assessment 2017-18 (continuous year) by Friday, April 19, 2019. The Final Report Dropbox link can be accessed via Content > Dropbox (Plans, Reports) > Final Report Dropbox.***

**Date Report Submitted: April 15, 2019**

**Element: Core Element 3 – Global Traditions**

**Academic Year: 2017-2018**

**Course and Sections Assessed: [ENG 2320 Section 01 American Academic Culture](#)**

**Assessment Plan:**

The assessment plan approved by the UCOC is filed on the pilot page under Content > Plans > (corresponding course folder)

*Describe the final assessment plan that was implemented and explain any changes made to the approved plan.*

[We followed our proposed assessment plan, with only one change – we originally proposed to assess students’ essays from two assignments in this course, and the UCOC suggested one assignment would be sufficient for this assessment. So we only used students’ journal entries on the topic of cultural differences as the samples since this is the most relevant assignment for the learning outcome being assessed.](#)

**Assessment Data Collection:**

*Describe the data that were collected. Explain any variations to the data collection from the approved assessment plan.*

[Thirty three journal entries were collected and assessed by the English undergraduate committee based on the four criteria specified in the assessment plan.](#)

**Assessment Results:**

*Present the results from the Watermark Aqua review of student artifacts provided to you by Carl Brun, Academic Affairs; and/or*

See attached PDF.

*Present the results from a review of marker questions. The analysis of marker questions must be completed by the department faculty.*

### **Assessment Feedback:**

*Describe how the results were shared with the instructors of the courses assessed and the department chair.*

We will share the rubric, the results, and the recommendations below with the instructors who teach this course and with the department chair.

*Describe any changes taken to the course and assessment plan based on the assessment of the courses.*

The writing samples assessed are early assignments in the course. In the future, we plan to assess assignments from a later part of the semester, which may be more indicative of students' learning outcomes. Assessment criteria/rubric provided by the university committee were not provided to the instructors before the semester started. Our recommendations for instructors are to incorporate these university level outcomes into the course objectives in the future as is reasonable for the student population. ENG 2320 is for international students, whose skills in English academic writing may not necessarily fully reflect their abilities to meet these university core outcomes at this level.

*Describe how and when the assessment results will be shared with the department curriculum committee.*

The results were reviewed, and recommendations were made by the English department curriculum committee.

### **Assessment Administration Feedback**

The assessment of the courses was part of the Core assessment cycle. The assessment plan was reviewed and approved by the UCOC. The UCOC provided a presentation on tools available to assist with the assessment, including Watermark Aqua.

*Describe any changes you recommend about the oversight of the assessment process by the UCOC and the Academic Affairs office.*

We recommend that the rubrics for this assessment be shared with the instructors before the courses meet, so instructors can incorporate these outcomes into their course design.