Core Assessment Element 3 Report for HST 1200: 02

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: 1 May 2019

Element: Core Element 3 – Global Traditions

Academic Year: 2018-2019

Course and Sections Assessed:

Assessment Plan: HST 1200:02 for the Spring 2019 semester

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.

This assessment consisted of 2 parts: objective and subjective. The objective measurement was through the weekly quizzes that covered factual topics. Sample questions included the following:

- Who was the king of France during the French Revolution?
- Name one of the factors that helped promote industrial development in Europe.
- Name one of the new states formed in Eastern Europe after World War I.

Students also took a weekly InQuizitive quiz, through the textbook website. These quizzes allowed students to keep answering questions until they earned a score of 100, if they chose. The in-class quizzes, however, tested whether students retained basic factual information, which they would then use to understand historical trends. The average grade for these quizzes was 7.96, or almost 80%.

The subjective measurement was met through the 3 essays of 1000-1200 words students wrote over the course of the semester. For this measurement, the average of the final paper (which reflected ongoing learning over the course of the semester) was 79.9, or almost 80%.

Assessment Data Collection:

Weekly quizzes and InQuizitive quizzes, three essays.

Assessment Results:

These two measurements suggest that students did indeed meet the learning objectives of the course.

Assessment Feedback:

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

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

No changes were taken.

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

The results will be circulated among the members of the 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.