

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND PERCEPTIONS OF A WRITING-INTENSIVE ONLINE LITERATURE

COURSE ON HISPANIC WOMEN WRITERS

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HISPANIC WOMEN WRITERS (W)

- Undergraduate 3000-level Course (Writing Intensive)
- Content: Female writers of the Spanish-speaking world
- Challenging
 - Teaching methodology
 - Flipped classroom
- Online QMTM Rubric (8 Standards)

METHODOLOGY - ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT

- Direct assessment Performance criteria
- Indirect assessment (learner perception)
 - Beginning of the course
 - Midterm
 - Last week of classes
- Online delivery (20 students each)

Alignment Course Mapping Weekly Objectives CO4



ASSESSMENT AND MEASUREMENT

We identified SLO 4 objective that describes measurable performance.

SLO 4: Apply the process approach to construct a variety of written pieces.

Students critically examine and comment on their own writing. (Wk14)

Alignment with LO4:

Sample Assignment -- Discussion Board: Language and Negotiating Worldviews

- 1. Write a well organized multi paragraph answer (400-500 words)
- 2. Read your classmates responses and compose a well-organized answer (300-400 words)

Results - Direct Assessment

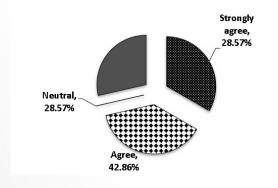
LO4: Apply the process approach to construct and variety of written pieces.

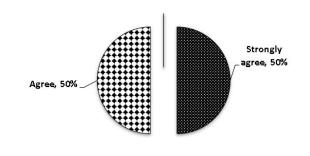
Performance Indicator (%)
Online
76.8

Results – Student Perceptions

Beginning







I feel very confident about my writing skills in English.

I feel more confident about editing my own writing.

RELEVANCE

- Autonomous learning in scaffolded assignments
- Peer-to-peer interaction
 - peer reviews
 - discussion boards
 - Show instructor expectations with directed feedback
 - Very specific assessment metrics
- Systematic evaluation of learning outcomes: Direct and explicit alignment between course objectives and materials, assignments and assessment (applicable to Gen Ed courses, W courses, etc.)

DISSEMINATION OF RESULTS

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