Academic Assessment Report 2012-2013 5/15/13

College of Visual and Performing Arts Theatre BA K-12 Theatre Teacher Certification

Program SLOs:

- 1. Identify and articulate humanistic values and cultural diversity found in the study of theatre, represented by knowledge of the history, socio-cultural traditions, and literary richness. [KU1, KU2, KU4, GEK3, GEK4, GES3, GES4, GES5, GEV4]
- 2. Develop oral and written communication skills, analytical ability, critical and creative thinking, as well as research techniques. [KU1, KU4, GEK1, GEK3, GEK4, GES1, GES3, GES4, GES5]
- 3. Demonstrate, both independently and collaboratively, synthesis of the various elements of theatre by combining capabilities in production, performance, repertory, theory, and history. [KU1, KU2, KU3, KU4, GEK1, GEK4, GES1, GES2, GES3, GES4, GES5, GEV1]
- 4. Demonstrate entry-level competence in the profession, with a focus on the major area of specialization, including proficiency in technique, capability to produce work, solve problems independently, and develop a coherent set of artistic/intellectual goals. [KU 1, 2, 3, 4, K4, S1, S2, S3, S4, S5, GEV1, GEV4, GEV5]

Program Level	Assessment	Assessment Criteria	Results of Assessment	Action Taken
Student Learning	Measure(s)	(Describe how data is	(Specific to Data Collected)	(Closing the Loop: New action or follow
Outcome		collected – rubric, survey, etc.)		up from last Assessment Report)
SLO #1	Direct: THE 3700 Final Project THE 3710/20 Mid-Term & Final Exam THE 4220: Critique, Advocacy Essay, Mission Statement	THE 3700 Checklist and individual feedback on final project THE 3710, 3720 Exam grades THE 4220: GE Oral & Writing Rubrics Advocacy Essay Rubric Critique Rubric Mission Statement Checklist	from 11FA 4220: 14% drop in Advocacy 1 9% drop in Critique 1 9% drop in Critique 2 12% drop in Critique 3 Only 1/3 of students utilized all opportunities to revise work.	Follow-up from last Assessment Report: 4220: syllabus modified to allow more time between Advocacy Essay Drafts 1 and 2 Action to be taken: Theatre Critique- Break into smaller assignments and write out expectations for each step (word bank, thesis statement, examples of common mistakes) Set earlier deadline for Draft 1 Make 3 drafts mandatory Review Theatre Journal guidelines in class.

				Advocacy— Break into smaller assignments and write out expectations for each step (Select research, thesis statement, clarify theme) Make 2 drafts mandatory.
	Indirect: Final Grades Annual Assessment Senior Assessment GSS (Graduating Student Survey)	Rubrics Recorded transcript of Senior Assessment discussion	Compared to averages from 11FA 4220: 3% drop Final Grades	
SLO #2	Direct: Mini-TWS THE 2300 Final Project THE 3145 Contemporary & Classical Monologues THE 3700-Final Oral Presentation THE 3710/20-Research Paper EMSE 3801 Final Assessment TWS (Teacher Work Sample) Assessments EMSE 4811 Final Assessment Critical Thinking	THE 2300 Checklist & Rubric THE 3700 Checklist & individual feedback on final oral presentation THE 3710/20 Exam grades & checklist with individual feedback on research paper Et al: Rubrics & individual feedback on written and oral projects Facione Critical Thinking Rubric GE Oral & Writing Rubrics	THE 2300 Average of EC+30 students scored higher than class average on Final Project. THE 3145 Theatre Ed & EC average for Final Monologues was consistent with class average. EMSE 3801 100% needed IP. Mini-TWS TBD EMSE 4811 Average is up 2.5 points. 100% "Accomplished" in 12SP and 12FA.	Action to be taken: TBD: Departmental remediation plan needed for skills in writing essays and theatre critiques. Require taking Praxis I during semester with EMSE 2801. Increase required minimum score on Praxis I Writing? Track final grades for GE 2025; require B- or better? Utilize Facione Critical Thinking Rubric

Indirect:	Assessment rubrics	THE 2300	Provide improved information and
Final Grades		Average of EC+30 students	instruction that links to the areas of
	Recorded transcript of	scored higher than class	assessment.
Annual Assessment	Senior Assessment	average on Final Grade.	
	discussion		Return to former system of holding
Senior Assessment			annual department meeting prep for
		GSS Review:	annual assessments
GSS			
		Graduating seniors average	
		gpa = 3.4	
		Oral Communication:	
		Rubric avg score 83%	
		BFAs in performance	
		scored highest in oral	
		comm (91%)	
		K-12 BA Teacher Cert	
		lowest scores (70%) but	
		inter-rater reliability not	
		guaranteed	
		Non-verbal expression	
		3.13/4) and fluidity of	
		expression 2.96/4 avg)	
		lowest	
		Written assessment:	
		Capable in all categories	Provide concrete descriptions for
		Avg overall score = 2.8/4	writing submissions (evaluative
		Self reflections very useful;	purpose, rubric)
		self awareness revealed	
		writing as an area needing	
		concentration	
		No correlation to native	
		versus transfer students	
		BA avg = 69% n = 11	
		BA Theatre Ed avg = 63% n	
		= 1	
		BA EC = 88% n = 1	
		BFA Perf avg = 73% n = 3	
		BFA D/T = n/a	
		DFA D/T - H/d	

			Junior Binder evaluation: revealed lack of information regarding preparation and evaluation. Examination of artifacts should lead to a meaningful self reflection and organizational skill	Provide instructions and samples. Consider asking transfer students to bring artifacts to their audition for Kean. Provide a binder to each incoming student with list of suggested artifacts. Work to further develop the list. Add a prompt in the preparation of the binder instructions asking them to describe their organizational logic for the contents of the binder. Binder should also include resume, bios, and declaration of major form.
SLO #3	Direct: THE 2150 5 Performances THE 3150 Final Perf. THE 3200 Story Dramatization THE 3400 One-Act Project THE 3700 Individual & Collaborative written and oral projects Theatre Praxis Scores	THE 2150, 3150 Rubrics, checklist with individual feedback THE 3400 Final checklist with commentary THE 3700 Checklist and feedback on individual and collaborative projects GE Oral & Writing Rubrics	2150: THE Ed students' average of 5 performances was consistent with class average. They scored higher averages on Greek and Shakespeare scenes than the class average. Commedia section lacks full participation due to a limited number of commedia masks 3200 THE Ed + EC students do 18% better than Electives on Final Grade, and 12% better on SD. B+ average for THE Ed + EC students.	Action to be taken: 2150: Need to purchase additional commedia masks 3200: Implement alternative assessments (quizzes, mid-term, final) that require the textbook for all students. Consider changing THE 3200 to a 2000 level course and making it a pre-req for EMSE 3801?
	Indirect: Final Grades Annual Assessment	Assessment rubrics Recorded transcript of Senior Assessment discussion		

	Senior Assessment Participation in theatre productions GSS Direct:	THE 3220 Rubrics	3220	Action to be taken:
SLO #4	THE 3220 Philosophy and mini-TWS THE 3400 One-Act Project THE 4220 Field Trip Project THE 4220 Mission Statement EDUC 4000 and 4811 TWS Critical Thinking	THE 4220 Rubrics and Mission checklist THE 3400 Final checklist with commentary TWS Rubric and checklist Theatre Praxis Scores Facione Critical Thinking Rubric GE Oral & Writing Rubrics	Low scores on Philosophy Statements. 4220 High scores on Field Trip Teaser Activity. All A's on Mission Statement checklist.	No non-Theatre Ed majors took THE 3200 in 12FA. Should this be a required course for the BA given the likelihood of teaching upon graduation? Might also recruit some BAs into Theatre Ed. 3220: Require outline for Philo Statements before first draft. 4220: Utilize TPC's EMSE 4811 competencies to assess Teaser activities. Track final grades from EDUC 4000. Enforce use of the SPA Report in EMSE 4811. Utilize Facione Critical Thinking Rubric
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