

University of South Florida
Foundations of Knowledge and Learning Core Curriculum

Humanities Assessment Rubric

Student Learning Outcome 3: Students will be able to explain or demonstrate how humanistic or artistic expressions create or critique culture.					
<p>Humanities are those areas of study in which we turn our attention to ourselves. Studies in Humanities will foster students' ability to analyze beliefs, make sound judgments about the evidence that supports them, communicate through language and other symbolic media, and be creative in expressing themselves and in interpreting how others express themselves creatively. Courses in the Humanities will explore methods and theories of criticism that apply to our creative, expressive, and communicative actions; enable students to appreciate different cultures and traditions within our own society; and increase students' knowledge of human civilizations, past and present, and their languages, literature, arts, religion, and philosophy. Courses that fulfill these goals will emphasize the use of primary texts and sources and require writing assignments in which students produce a sustained argument in continuous prose.</p>					
Criteria	4 Exemplary	3 Satisfactory	2 Minimal	1 Poor	Score
Understands different cultures and traditions within the Humanities.	Demonstrates a substantial understanding of different cultures and traditions in the Humanities	Demonstrates descriptive knowledge of different cultures and traditions, but little understanding	Shows some knowledge of different cultures and traditions, but little understanding or analysis	Shows little knowledge of different cultures and traditions	
Understands the strengths and weaknesses of different approaches and methods of studying the Humanities.	Demonstrates a substantial understanding of different approaches and methods in the Humanities	Demonstrates knowledge of different approaches and methods, but little understanding of strengths and weakness	Shows some knowledge of different approaches and methods, but little understanding or evaluation	Shows little knowledge of different approaches and methods	
Understands the ethical aspects of the Humanities.	Demonstrates a substantial understanding of the ethical aspects of the Humanities	Demonstrates familiarity with ethical aspects but little understanding or analysis	Shows some knowledge of ethical aspects but little understanding or analysis	Shows little knowledge ethical aspects	