



Philosophy | 2013-2014 Assessment Plan

1. Which outcome will you assess?

We will assess the following Learning Outcome (the last in our list of 5, see attached sheet):
Be able to compose and deliver to an audience a clear and cogent philosophical argument in defense of their preferred position

2. Which technique will you use to assess this outcome?

We will ask each graduating Major to provide us with one of their earlier philosophical papers (or simply take them from older D2L courses) and will compare this with a paper in their most recent Philosophy course. Additionally, we will discuss their most recent paper with them at their Exit Interview. We will use the quality of their early work and the quality and defense of their most recent work as a benchmark for how far they have come in the Philosophy program.

3. Which course or group of students will you assess on the outcome chosen above and when?

We will assess only our outgoing Majors. We will do so through their most recent paper and an Exit Interview where we discuss, in part, their most recent paper.