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English. To demonstrate writing as a purpose-driven process of communication within specific contexts.

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Northwestern State Mission: Northwestern State University is a responsive, student-oriented institution committed to acquiring, creating, and disseminating knowledge through innovative teaching, research, and service. With its certificate, undergraduate, and graduate programs, Northwestern State University prepares its increasingly diverse student population to contribute to an inclusive global community with a steadfast dedication to improving our region, state, and nation.

Northwestern Core Curriculum: In January 2018, under the direction of the Provost, the General Education Committee completed a deliberate and systematic 18-month review of the University Core Curriculum to ensure its alignment with policy 2.16 Statewide General Education Requirements, Louisiana Board of Regents. As a result, the University modified its General Education Core Curriculum ensuring the courses selected were introductory, survey, or appreciation courses and not tied to a specific degree program. The current broad-based core curriculum leverages six key competencies central to the University's mission and is consistent with the Louisiana Board of Regents' requirements for general education. The selection of courses encompasses the knowledge and abilities that Northwestern believes are essential to college graduates.

The requirements are designed to improve students' writing and speaking; provide students with mathematical skills at the level of college algebra and above; strengthen students' understanding of biological, physical, social, and behavioral sciences; and develop an appreciation and knowledge of the arts and humanities. These courses provide the breadth of a student's educational program while the degree program requirements provide the depth of education. The goal of the core curriculum is for undergraduate students, depending on their respective degree program, to obtain appropriate learning outcomes for this general education competency.

Purpose: The purpose of the English Core Competency is to improve students' writing ability. The two-course sequence of English 1010: Rhetoric and Composition I and English 1020: Rhetoric and Composition II aim to develop students' writing ability so that they can demonstrate writing as a purpose-driven process of communication within specific contexts. The knowledge and skills developed through the first-year writing sequence are applicable to the wide variety of writing students will do in upper-level courses and in the workplace.

Methodology:

1. The instructor(s) will collect one portfolio of written work including a reflective letter from each student enrolled in English 1010 in the fall semesters and English 1020 in

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the spring semesters.

2. The instructor(s) will assess the student portfolios using the course-appropriate rubrics appended to this document to determine how well the applicable outcomes are met.
3. The assessor(s) will collect rubric-based data from the instructors and analyze the programmatic data to determine whether the applicable outcomes are met.
4. Faculty will meet during the fall on-call week to discuss the results and determine the actions that need to be taken in response to the evaluation. Individual meetings will be held with faculty during on-call week, if necessary. The Writing Program Administrator, in consultation with faculty and the department advisory committee, will propose changes to measurable outcomes, assessment tools for the next period, and, where needed, curriculum and program changes.

Student Learning Outcomes (SLO).

SLO 1. Students will write a variety of types of texts for diverse audiences, purposes, and contexts.

Measure 1.1 (Direct – Skill)

Target: 80% of student portfolios assessed will score 2 (acceptable) or higher on Rubric 1.1.

At the end of each fall semester, instructors will evaluate student portfolios from all students enrolled in English 1010 that semester, using the standardized rubric 1.1 (attached). Portfolios should consist of student selections of 1) at least two of the formal essays students have written during semester with some evidence of the writing process that led to those essays, 2) at least three informal pieces, such as in-class work or homework, students have written during the semester, and 3) a reflective letter. At least one assignment should evidence collaboration with classmates (e.g., peer review, group assignment). This portfolio should demonstrate the student's ability to compose a variety of types of texts for diverse audiences, purposes, and contexts and will be evaluated based on Rubric 1.1 (attached), which is based on the ENGL 1010 course objectives. At minimum, the contents should include:

- Cover Page
- Table of Contents
- Reflective Statement
- Formal Writing Assignment #1: Final Version and Evidence of Process
- Formal Writing Assignment #2: Final Version and Evidence of Process
- Informal Writing #1
- Informal Writing #2
- Informal Writing #3

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At least 80% of students evaluated will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation.

Course Name (# of students)	Methodology	Target	Term
ENGL 1010 (768)	Portfolio	80%	Fall 2023

Findings:

AC 2023-2024 706/768* student assignments (92%) scored 2+. Target met.
AC 2022-2023 578/639** student assignments (90%) scored 2+. Target met.

*Results include 381 dual enrollment students.

**Results include 210 dual enrollment students.

Analysis:

In AC 2022-2023, the target was met with 90.4% (578/639) of students evaluated scoring a 2 or higher on the assessment. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggested that students continued to be less successful in two areas across the program: 1010.8: Understand basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing and 1010.7: Identify, understand, and discuss textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication. Based on the analysis of the AC 2022-2023 results, in AC 2023-2024, additional training was provided in the teaching of critical reading and rhetorical analysis.

As a result, in AC 2023-2024, the target was met with 91.9% (706/768) of students evaluated scoring a 2 or higher on the assessment, an increase of 1.5% over AC 2022-2023. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggests that students continue to be less successful in two areas across the program: 1010.8: Understand basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing and 1010.5: Write with respect to expectations of genre, format, structure, style, and surface features appropriate to the writer's context.

In AC 2023-2024, the 768 students assessed represented 83% (738/925) of the students enrolled, an increase of 7% from Fall 2022. It is also worth noting that the dual enrolled courses assessed represent 77% (14/18) of dual enrollment courses offered: 100% (7/7) of courses taught by faculty directly employed by NSU reported data, while 82% (9/11) of courses taught in high schools reported data. The number of non-NSU employed high school instructors reporting data increased 48% from Fall 2022. Training on a new online data reporting system begun in Spring 2023 continued through Fall 2023.

Decision:

Finding from AC 2023-2024 provide evidence that the English program successfully fulfills SLO 1 through Measure 1.1, with 91.9% of students scoring 2+ on the rubric, a number consistent with AC 2022-2023 results. Training on the portfolio assessment

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and reporting was effective in increasing participation overall and will be part of the annual training for faculty teaching ENGL 1010.

In AC 2023-2024, 83% (768/925) of students in ENGL 1010 in the Fall 2023 were evaluated, an increase of 7% from AC 2022-2023. As such, we will stress the importance of assessment to both faculty and students. Training will be increased and refined at all instruction sites as part of the effort to increase collection and reporting of assessment data to ensure instruction is consistent across the program.

Furthermore, based on the analysis of these results, the Department will maintain the expectation that 80% of students will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation in AC 2024-2025. Based on the analysis of the 2023-2024 results the following changes will be implemented to drive improvement in 2024-2025. Refined training will be provided to further assist faculty in collecting and reporting assessment data. Additional outreach will be made to encourage dual enrollment instructors working in the K-12 setting to submit assessment reports. Additional training in teaching critical reading, rhetorical analysis, and Standard Written English will also be offered to drive improvements in SLOs 1010.5 and 1010.8.

Measure 1.2 (Indirect – Reflection)

Target: 80% of student portfolio letters assessed will score 2 (acceptable) or higher on Rubric 1.2.

At the end of each fall semester, instructors will evaluate student portfolio letters from all students enrolled in English 1010 that semester, using the standardized rubric 1.2 (attached). The portfolio letter should be a reflection on the student's work from the semester as it is evidenced in the portfolio. Students should describe their composing processes, explain what writing they have done over the course of semester, referencing each of the samples in the portfolio as well as other work from the semester, and reflect on their development as a writer through the coursework. Ultimately, the letter should demonstrate that students have thought carefully about their writing as both completed products and active processes completed in response to specific contexts and will be evaluated based on Rubric 1.2 (attached), which evaluates reported student learning based on the ENGL 1010 course objectives. At least 80% of students evaluated will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation.

Course Name (# of students)	Methodology	Target	Term
ENGL 1010 (718)	Portfolio Letter	80%	Fall 2023

Findings:

AC 2023/2024	618/718* student assignments (86%) scored 2+	Target met.
AC 2022/2023	580/639** student assignments (90%) scored 2+	Target met.

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**Results include 331 dual enrollment students.*

***Results include 210 dual enrollment students.*

Analysis:

In AC 2022-2023, the target was met with 90% (580/639) of students evaluated scoring a 2 or higher on the assessment. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggested that students continued to be less successful in two areas across the program: 1010.8: Understand basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing and 1010.7: Identify, understand, and discuss textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication. Based on the analysis of the AC 2022-2023 results, in AC 2023-2024, additional training was provided in the teaching of critical reading and rhetorical analysis.

As a result, in AC 2023-2024, the target was met with 86.1% (618/718) of students evaluated scoring a 2 or higher on the assessment, a decrease of 4% from AC 2022-2023. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggests that students continue to be less successful in one area across the program: 1010.8: Understand basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing.

In AC 2023-2024, the 718 students assessed represented 77.6% (718/925) of the students enrolled, a number consistent with Fall 2022. It is also worth noting that the dual enrolled courses assessed represent 72% (13/18) of dual enrollment courses offered: 100% (7/7) of courses taught by faculty directed employed by NSU reported data, while 72% (8/11) of courses taught in high schools reported data. The number of non-NSU employed high school instructors reporting data increased 38% from Fall 2022. Training on a new online data reporting system begun in Spring 2023 continued through Fall 2023.

Decision:

Findings from AC 2023-2024 provide evidence that the English program successfully fulfills SLO 1 through Measure 1.1, with 86.1% of students scoring 2+ on the rubric, a decrease of 4% from AC 2022-2023 results. Training on the portfolio assessment and reporting was effective in increasing participation overall and will be part of the annual training for faculty teaching ENGL 1010.

In AC 2023-2024, 77.6% (718/925) of students in ENGL 1010 in the Fall 2023 were evaluated, an increase of 7% from AC 2022-2023. As such, we will stress the importance of assessment to both faculty and students. Training will be increased and refined at all instruction sites as part of the effort to increase collection and reporting of assessment data to ensure instruction is consistent across the program.

Furthermore, based on the analysis of these results, the Department will maintain the expectation that 80% of students will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation

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in AC 2024-2025. Based on the analysis of the 2023-2024 results the following changes will be implemented to drive improvement in 2024-2025. Refined training will be provided to further assist faculty in collecting and reporting assessment data. Additional outreach will be made to encourage dual enrollment instructors working in the K-12 setting to submit assessment reports. Additional training in teaching critical reading, rhetorical analysis, and Standard Written English will also be offered to drive improvements in SLOs 1010.5 and 1010.8.

SLO 2. Students will perform writing as a process of planning, researching, prewriting, drafting, evaluating, and revising to develop and strengthen their compositions.

Measure 2.1 (Direct – Skill)

Target: 80% of student portfolios assessed will score 2 (acceptable) or higher on Rubric 2.1.

At the end of each spring semester, instructors will evaluate student portfolios from all students enrolled in English 1020 that semester, using the standardized rubric 2.1 (attached). This portfolio, a process portfolio, is a collection of a student's work on the researched argument assignment that is the culmination of the English 1020 course. This collection should consist of evidence of the student's composition process, from initial planning through drafting and revision to the final version, and a reflective letter. Among this evidence should be evidence of some peer review activity. This portfolio should demonstrate the student's ability to perform writing as a purpose-driven process that leads to a researched essay and will be evaluated based on Rubric 2.1 (attached), which is based on the ENGL 1020 course objectives. The minimum contents should include:

- Cover Page
- Table of Contents
- Reflective Statement
- Planning Materials (e.g., freewriting, notes, idea maps, etc.)
- Shaping/Organizing Materials (e.g., thesis statements, outlines, etc.)
- Rough Draft with Comments (self-review, tutor review, and/or instructor review)
- Evidence of Collaborative Activity
- Working Bibliography of Research
- Final Version of Researched Argument Essay

At least 80% of students evaluated will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation.

Course Name (# of students)	Methodology	Target	Term
ENGL 1020 (609)	Portfolio	80%	Spring 2024

Findings:

AC 2023-2024	566/609* student assignments (92.9%) scored 2+	Target met.
AC 2022-2023	545/577** student assignments (94.4%) scored 2+.	Target met.

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**Results include 264 dual enrollment students.*

***Results include 232 dual enrollment students.*

Analysis:

In AC 2022-2023, the target was met with 94.4% (545/577) of students evaluated scoring 2 or higher on the assessments. No individual rubric item stood out as a significant area of concern across the program. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggest that students continue to be less successful in two areas across the program: 1020.1: Write purpose-driven, evidence-based, argumentative texts and 1020.10: Synthesize research materials to situate and contextualize their own writing within the existing discourse surrounding their topic. Based on the analysis of the AC 2022-2023 results, additional training in critical reading and synthesis was provided in AC 2023-2024.

As a result, in AC 2023-2024, the target was met with 92.9% (566/609) of students evaluated scoring 2 or higher on the assessments, a slight decrease of 1.5% from AC 2022-2023. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggests that students continue to be less successful in one area across the program: ENGL 1020.11 – Document and integrate research materials in their own writing in a way that clearly designates source materials as separate from, but in relation to, their own arguments. Additional training in teaching source integration will be provided in AC 2024-2025.

In Spring 2024, 87.6% (609/695) of enrolled students were assessed, an increase of 9.4% from Spring 2023. The percentage of dual enrollment sections assessed also increased, as 76.5% of dual enrollment sections were assessed in Spring 2024 compared to 75% in Spring 2023. Training on a new online data reporting system begun in Spring 2023 continued through Spring 2024.

Decision:

Findings from AC 2023-2024 provide evidence that the English program successfully fulfills SLO 2 through Measure 2.1, with 92.9% of students scoring 2+ on the rubric. Training on the portfolio assessment and reporting was effective in increasing participation overall and will be part of the annual training for faculty teaching ENGL 1020.

Based on the analysis of the AC 2023-2024 results and to improve reporting of assessment of instruction at all NSU instructional sites, in 2024-2025 Writing Program Administrator will work with the Dual Enrollment areas on campus to improve reporting from instructors credentialed through NSU but employed by and working in K12 settings. Training will be increased and refined at all instruction sites as part of the effort to increase collection and reporting of assessment data to ensure instruction is consistent across the program.

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Furthermore, based on the analysis of these results, the Department will maintain the expectation that 80% of students will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation in AC 2024-2025. Based on the analysis of the AC 2023-2024 results the following changes will be implemented to drive improvement in AC 2024-2025. Refined training will be provided to further assist faculty in collecting and reporting assessment data. Additional outreach will be made to encourage dual enrollment instructors working in the K-12 setting to submit assessment reports. Additional training in teaching source integration will be provided to drive improvement on SLO 1020.11.

Measure 2.2 (Indirect – Reflection)

Target: 80% of student portfolio letters assessed will score 2 (acceptable) or higher on Rubric 2.2.

At the end of each spring semester, instructors will evaluate student portfolio letters from all students enrolled in English 1010 that semester, using the standardized rubric 2.2 (attached). The portfolio letter should be a reflection on the student's work on the researched argument assignment as it is evidenced in the portfolio. Students should describe their composing processes, explain their rhetorical and stylistic choices, and reflect on their development as a writer through the project. Ultimately, the letter should demonstrate that students have thought carefully about their writing as both completed products and active processes completed in response to specific contexts and will be evaluated based on Rubric 2.2 (attached), which evaluates reported student learning based on the ENGL 1020 course objectives. At least 70% of students evaluated will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation.

Course Name (# of students)	Methodology	Target	Term
ENGL 1020 (609)	Portfolio Letter	80%	Spring 2024

Findings:

AC 2023-2024	536/609* student assignments (88%) scored 2+.	Target met.
AC 2022-2023	526/577** student assignments (91%) scored 2+.	Target met.

*Results include 264 dual enrollment students.

**Results include 232 dual enrollment students.

Analysis:

In AC 2022-2023, the target was met with 91% (526/577) of students evaluated scoring 2 or higher on the assessments. No individual rubric item stood out as a significant area of concern across the program. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggests that students continue to be less successful in two areas across the program: 1020.1: Write purpose-driven, evidence-based, argumentative texts and 1020.10: Synthesize research materials to situate and

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contextualize their own writing within the existing discourse surrounding their topic. Based on the analysis of the AC 2022-2023 results, additional training in critical reading and synthesis was provided in AC 2023-2024.

As a result, in AC 2023-2024, the target was met with 88% (536/609) of students evaluated scoring 2 or higher on the assessments, a decrease of 3% from AC 2022-2023. Students performed well on this measure in general; however, looking at specific rubric items suggests that students continue to be less successful in two areas across the program: ENGL 1020.11 – Document and integrate research materials in their own writing in a way that clearly designates source materials as separate from, but in relation to, their own arguments and 1020.10: Synthesize research materials to situate and contextualize their own writing within the existing discourse surrounding their topic. Additional training in teaching source integration will be provided in AC 2024-2025.

In Spring 2024, 87.6% (609/695) of enrolled students were assessed, an increase of 9.4% from Spring 2023. The percentage of dual enrollment sections assessed also increased, as 76.5% of dual enrollment sections were assessed in Spring 2024 compared to 75% in Spring 2023. Training on a new online data reporting system begun in Spring 2023 continued through Spring 2024.

Decision:

Findings from AC 2023-2024 provide evidence that the English program successfully fulfills SLO 2 through Measure 2.1, with 88% of students scoring 2+ on the rubric.

Based on the analysis of the AC 2023-2024 results and to improve reporting of assessment of instruction at all NSU instructional sites, in AC 2024-2025 Writing Program Administrator will work with the Dual Enrollment areas on campus to improve reporting from instructors credentialed through NSU but employed by and working in K12 settings. Training will be increased and refined at all instruction sites as part of the effort to increase collection and reporting of assessment data to ensure instruction is consistent across the program.

Furthermore, based on the analysis of these results, the Department will maintain the expectation that 80% of students will score a 2 (acceptable) or higher on the evaluation in AC 2024-2025. Based on the analysis of the AC 2023-2024 results the following changes will be implemented to drive improvement in AC 2024-2025. Refined training will be provided to further assist faculty in collecting and reporting assessment data. Additional outreach will be made to encourage dual enrollment instructors working in the K-12 setting to submit assessment reports. Additional training in teaching source integration will be provided to drive improvement on SLOs 1020.11 and 1020.10.

Comprehensive Summary of Key Evidence of Improvements Based on Analysis of Results. The following reflects all the changes implemented in AC 2023-2024 to drive the continuous process of seeking improvement. These changes are based on the knowledge gained through the analysis of the AC 2023-2023 results.

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- Conducted training of faculty in our new approach to assessment improved participation and student success as faculty were better prepared to administer, collect, evaluate, and report on assessments.
- Conducted refined training in the integration of rhetorical analysis, reading instruction, and source integration in the coursework and assessment for all instructors of English 1010 and English 1020, particularly in online settings.
- Continued development of processes and procedures to train dual enrollment instructors employed by and working in K12 settings in the use and reporting of assessment data.

Plan of Action Moving Forward.

Our dedication to continual improvement for SLOs 1 and 2 will lead to the following refinements to the courses and assessments in the General Education Core Curriculum English area (ENGL 1010 and ENGL 1020 courses):

- Conduct training in rhetorical analysis, critical reading, synthesis, and source integration to drive improvement in SLOs 1010.8, 1020.5, 1020.10, and 1020.11.
- Revised training in the administration, collection, evaluation, and reporting of assessment data for both SLOs and all four measures for all faculty teaching English 1010 and 1020.
- Continued development of processes and procedures to train dual enrollment instructors employed by and working in K12 settings in the use and reporting of assessment data.

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**Attachment A:
General Education Core Curriculum: English (Core Competency #1)
Assessment Rubric for Direct Assessment (SLO 1.1)**

Rubric 1.1 – English 1010 Writing Portfolio Rubric

Standards	Artifact(s)	Target 3	Acceptable 2	Not_Acceptabl e 1	Scor e
ENGL 1010.1 – Write texts with a variety of purposes.	Samples of formal and informal student writing	Demonstrate the student’s ability to write effectively for a wide variety of purposes.	Demonstrate the student’s ability to write for a variety of purposes.	Fail to demonstrate the student’s ability to write for a variety of purposes.	
ENGL 1010.4 – Write in a variety of rhetorical situations tailored to a variety of audiences.	Samples of formal and informal student writing	Demonstrate the student’s awareness of diverse audiences and rhetorical situations.	Demonstrate the student’s awareness of audience and rhetorical situation.	Fail to demonstrate the student’s awareness of audiences and rhetorical situations.	
ENGL 1010.5 – Write with respect to expectations of genre, format, structure, style, and surface features appropriate to	Samples of formal and informal student writing	Demonstrate the student’s ability to recognize and meet the many expectations of their writerly contexts.	Demonstrate the student’s ability to recognize and meet the expectations of their writerly contexts.	Fail to demonstrate the student’s ability to recognize and meet the expectations of their writerly contexts.	

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the writer's context.					
ENGL 1010.8 – Understand basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing.	Samples of formal and informal student writing	Demonstrate the student's ability to employ rhetorical strategies effectively in their writing.	Demonstrate the student's ability to employ rhetorical strategies in their writing.	Fail to demonstrate the student's ability to employ rhetorical strategies in their writing.	
ENGL 1010.3 – Construct clear thesis statements .	Samples of formal student writing	Demonstrate the student's ability to construct a clear thesis statement.	Demonstrate the student's ability to construct a thesis statement.	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to construct a thesis statement.	
ENGL 1010.6 – Demonstrate knowledge of the conventions of Standard American English in formal writing.	Samples of formal student writing	Demonstrate the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English with minimal error.	Demonstrate the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English.	Fail to demonstrate the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English.	
ENGL 1010.2 – Understand and develop flexible strategies for writing as an open process .	Samples of formal student writing with evidence of process	Demonstrate the student's varied use of strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	Demonstrate the student's use of strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	Fail to demonstrate the student's use of strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	

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<p>ENGL 1010.9 – Practice collaboration.</p>	<p>Sample of student writing that evidences collaboration</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to work productively with their classmates.</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to work with their classmates.</p>	<p>Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to work with their classmates.</p>	
<p>ENGL 1010.7 – Identify, understand, and discuss textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication.</p>	<p>Reflective letter</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes and how they affect their ability to communicate effectively and efficiently.</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes.</p>	<p>Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes.</p>	
<p>ENGL 1010.10 – Employ electronic technologies that aid in writing.</p>	<p>Portfolio as a whole</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to compose and produce products using electronic technologies</p>	<p>Demonstrates the student’s ability to produce products using electronic technologies</p>	<p>Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to compose or produce products using electronic technologies.</p>	

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**Attachment B:
General Education Core Curriculum: English (Core Competency #1)
Assessment Rubric for Indirect Assessment (SLO 1.2)**

Rubric 1.2 – English 1010 Writing Portfolio Letter Rubric (Indirect)

To what extent does the statement address learning about ...	Target 3	Acceptable 2	Not_Acceptable 1	Score
ENGL 1010.1 – Writing texts with a variety of purposes.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.4 – Writing in a variety of rhetorical situations tailored to a variety of audiences.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.5 – Writing with respect to expectations of genre, format, structure, style,	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	

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and surface features appropriate to the writer's context.	provided, as applicable.	provided, as applicable.		
ENGL 1010.8 – Understanding basic rhetorical strategies used in the development of writing.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.3 – Constructing clear thesis statements .	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.6 – Demonstrating knowledge of the conventions of Standard American English in formal writing.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.2 – Understanding and developing flexible strategies	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept.	

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for writing as an open process .	of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.9 – Practicing collaboration .	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.7 – Identifying, understanding, and discussing textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1010.10 – Employing electronic technologies that aid in writing.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	

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**Attachment C:
General Education Core Curriculum: English (Core Competency #1)
Assessment Rubric for Direct Assessment (SLO 2.1)**

Rubric 2.1 – English 1020 Process Portfolio Rubric

Standards	Artifact(s)	Target 3	Acceptable 2	Not_Acceptable 1	Score
ENGL 1020.1 – Write purpose-driven, evidence-based, argumentative texts.	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's ability to write an effective researched argumentative essAC.	Demonstrates the student's ability to write a researched argumentative essAC.	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to write a researched argumentative essAC.	
ENGL 1020.3 – Write with awareness of rhetorical situations tailored to specific audiences .	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's awareness of a specific audience and rhetorical situation.	Demonstrates the student's awareness of general audience and rhetorical situation.	Fails to demonstrate the student's awareness of a audience and rhetorical situation.	
ENGL 1020.4 – Write with respect to expectations of genre, format, structure, style, and surface	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's ability to recognize and meet the many expectations of their writerly context.	Demonstrates the student's ability to recognize and meet the expectations of their writerly context.	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to recognize and meet the expectations of their writerly context.	

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features appropriate to the writer's context.					
ENGL 1020.5 – Demonstrate knowledge of the conventions of Standard American English in formal writing.	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English with minimal error.	Demonstrates the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English.	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to employ the conventions of Standard American English.	
ENGL 1020.10 – Synthesize research materials to situate and contextualize their own writing within the existing discourse surrounding their topic.	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's ability to present their own ideas within the larger conversation surrounding the topic through effective synthesis of research.	Demonstrates the student's ability to present their own ideas within the larger conversation surrounding the topic through synthesis of research.	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to present their own ideas within the larger conversation about the topic through synthesis of research.	
ENGL 1020.7 – Read and respond critically to a	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrates the student's ability to read, understand,	Demonstrates the student's ability to read, understand,	Fails to demonstrate the student's ability to read, understand, and respond to	

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variety of texts.		and respond to source materials in a critical and strategic wAC.	and respond to source materials.	source materials.	
ENGL 1020.11 – Document and integrate research materials in their own writing in a wAC that clearly designates source materials as separate from, but in relation to, their own arguments.	Final version of the research argumentative essAC	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to document research materials correctly according to the conventions of MLA style, including correct use of quotations, citations, and Works Cited with minimal to no error.	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to document research materials correctly according to the conventions of MLA style, including correct use of quotations, citations, and Works Cited.	Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to document research materials correctly according to the conventions of MLA style, including correct use of quotations, citations, and Works Cited.	
ENGL 1020.2 – Understand and develop flexible strategies for writing as an open process.	Planning materials, shaping materials, and draft with comments	Demonstrate the student’s use of multiple strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	Demonstrate the student’s use of strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	Fail to demonstrate the student’s use of strategies for planning, drafting, and revising when composing.	
ENGL 1020.6 – Practice	Evidence of peer review activity	Demonstrate s the student’s	Demonstrate s the student’s	Fails to demonstrate the student’s	

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collaboration		ability to work productively with their classmates.	ability to work with their classmates.	ability to work with their classmates.	
ENGL 1020.9 – Gather and evaluate primary and secondary research materials .	Source materials	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to conduct research and collect materials from reliable primary and secondary sources.	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to conduct research and collect materials from primary and secondary sources.	Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to conduct research and collect materials from primary and secondary sources.	
ENGL 1020.8 – Identify, understand, and discuss textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication.	Reflective letter	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes and how they affect their ability to communicate effectively and efficiently.	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes.	Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to recognize and discuss elements in their own writing and writing processes.	
ENGL 1020.12 – Employ electronic technologies that aid in	Portfolio as a whole	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to compose and produce products using electronic	Demonstrate s the student’s ability to produce products using electronic technologies	Fails to demonstrate the student’s ability to compose or produce products using electronic technologies.	

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**Attachment D:
General Education Core Curriculum: English (Core Competency #1)
Assessment Rubric for Indirect Assessment (SLO 2.2)**

Rubric 2.2 – English 1020 Process Portfolio Rubric (Indirect)

To what extent does the statement address learning about ...	Target 3	Acceptable 2	Not_Acceptable 1	Score
ENGL 1020.1 – Writing purpose-driven, evidence-based, argumentative texts.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.3 – Writing with awareness of rhetorical situations tailored to specific audiences .	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.4 – Writing with respect to expectations of genre, format, structure, style, and surface	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	

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features appropriate to the writer's context.				
ENGL 1020.5 – Demonstrating knowledge of the conventions of Standard American English in formal writing.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.10 – Synthesizing research materials to situate and contextualize their own writing within the existing discourse surrounding their topic.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.7 – Reading and responding critically to a variety of texts.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	

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	provided, as applicable.	provided, as applicable.		
ENGL 1020.11 – Documenting and integrating research materials in their own writing in a wAC that clearly designates source materials as separate from, but in relation to, their own arguments.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.2 – Understanding and develop flexible strategies for writing as an open process.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.6 – Practicing collaboration.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.9 – Gathering and evaluating primary	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on,	Response demonstrates a general reflection on,	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or	

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and secondary research materials.	and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.8 – Identifying, understanding, and discussing textual features and strategies and how they function as agents of effective communication.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	
ENGL 1020.12 – Employing electronic technologies that aid in research and writing.	Response demonstrates an in-depth reflection on, and personalization of, the standard. Clear, detailed examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a general reflection on, and personalization of, the concept. Appropriate examples are provided, as applicable.	Response demonstrates a lack of reflection on, or personalization of, the concept. Examples, when applicable, are not provided.	