

# Course SLO Assessment Report - 4-Column El Camino College

El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology

#### Course SLOs

El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology -ECC: PSYC 12 - Human Sexuality - SLO #1 Logic of the Scientific Method - On examination Multiple-Choice questions which will cover the (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to explain historical developments in scientific sex research as well as Standard and Target for Success: lidentify and evaluate specific research methods used to study the psychological, biological, and cultural factors in human sexuality. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)

# Course SLO Assessment Cycle:

2013-14 (Spring 2014)

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# **Assessment Methods & Standard and Target** for Success / Tasks

#### **Assessment Method Description:**

The SLO Assessment will consist of 10, general, three SLO's for Psychology 12.

# **Assessment Method:**

Exam/Test/Quiz

It is expected that the average score on the Multiple-Choice assessment will be approximately 70%, equivalent to a passing grade

#### Results

09/11/2014 - The assessment was distributed to two Psychology 12 classes, 83 students total: 5 assessments were incomplete so were not included in the analysis. The average score was 68.5%. Overall, students demonstrated that they were able to meet the general objectives stated in the SLOs. Both groups of students had difficulty with the same question: one of two assessing their knowledge of theoretical perspectives – almost 80% of the students answered this question (#2) incorrectly. Interestingly, only 19% of the students answered the other question assessing knowledge of theoretical perspectives (#3) incorrectly.

# Standard Met?:

Yes

**Semester and Year Assessment Conducted:** 

2013-14 (Spring 2014)

**Faculty Assessment Leader:** 

Angela Simon

**Faculty Contributing to Assessment:** 

Eddie Galvan

#### **Related Documents:**

Copy of SLO 12 Data.xlsx

Psychology 12 - Spring 2014 - SLO

Assessment.docx

# Action & Follow-Up

04/20/2015 - The assessment tool is adequate, but could be improved. The 10 Multiple-Choice questions should more distinctly address each of the 3 SLO's separately.

#### **Action Category:**

**SLO/PLO** Assessment Process

El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology -ECC: PSYC 12 - Human Sexuality - SLO #2 Fundamental Principles - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to identify and explain major theories, perspectives, and facets of human sexuality. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)

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		Eddie Galvan  Related Documents: Copy of SLO 12 Data.xlsx Psychology 12 - Spring 2014 - SLO Assessment.docx	
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 12 - Human Sexuality - SLO #3 Everyday Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to apply fundamental principles in the development of a personal sexual philosophy. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017)  Input Date: 03/25/2014  Course SLO Status: Active	Standard and Target for Success: It is expected that the average score on the Multiple-Choice assessment will be	09/11/2014 - The assessment was distributed to two Psychology 12 classes, 83 students total; 5 assessments were incomplete so were not included in the analysis. The average score was 68.5%. Overall, students demonstrated that they were able to meet the general objectives stated in the SLOs. Both groups of students had difficulty with the same question: one of two assessing their knowledge of theoretical perspectives – almost 80% of the students answered this question (#2) incorrectly. Interestingly, only 19% of the students answered the other question assessing knowledge of theoretical perspectives (#3) incorrectly.  Standard Met?: Yes  Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Angela Simon  Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Eddie Galvan  Related Documents: Copy of SLO 12 Data.xlsx  Psychology 12 - Spring 2014 - SLO  Assessment.docx	04/20/2015 - The assessment tool is adequate, but could be improved. The 10 Multiple-Choice questions should more distinctly address each of the 3 SLO's separately.  Action Category: SLO/PLO Assessment Process
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 15 - Abnormal Psychology - SLO #1 Logic of the Scientific Method - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to explain and evaluate various sources of data focusing on mental disorders (e.g.,epidemiology, efficacy, effectiveness). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle:	Assessment Method Description:  Dr. Galbavy collected scores from 3 sets of 5 multiple-choice items reflecting each of the current SLOs: SLO#1  1. The total number of people who have had a mental disorder at a given time or over a specified time period is referred to as A) prevalence. B) incidence. C) probability. D co-occurrence.	09/12/2014 - Dr. Mascolo's data are presented in Table 5. The percentage of students who met 0, 1, 2, or all 3 standards was 22%, 24%, 43%, & 11%, respectively. Thus Dr. Mascolo did not meet his standard.  Standard Met?:  No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.	02/27/2015 - Dr. Mascolo's standard was objective (percentage of students) but also arbitrary. A review of similar standards set by other faculty at this and other institutions will help confirm/disconfirm its appropriateness. Nevertheless, it cannot be accepted that 46% met none or just one SLO standard.
2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017) <b>Input Date:</b> 09/10/2014	diagnostic system, another clinician arrives at a diagnosis of schizophrenia. What is the problem	Related Documents:  Psych15SLO_Tables_Figs_9_18_14.doc x	Action Category: SLO/PLO Assessment Process
		09/12/2014 - Dr. Galbavy's data are presented in Table 4. The class averages of correct responses across the 3 current SLOs were 73%, 71%, 73%. Thus, Dr. Galbavy met her standard for all 3 SLOs.	07/24/2015 - Continue to strengthen student success by overhauling Audio/Visual Material that is compliant with close-captioning requirements

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Active	C) It lacks reliability. D) It lacks validity.  3. Recurrent patterns of abnormal behavior that are limited to specific societies or cultural areas are defined as  A) foreign disorders. B) comorbid disorders. C) culture-bound syndromes. D) sociocultural criteria.  4. In terms of standardized assessment tools,	Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Renee Galbavy, Ph.D. Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.	Action Category: Program/College Support
	reliability is to as validity is to  A) agreement; judgment B) accuracy; consistency C) consistency; agreement D) consistency; accuracy		
	<ul> <li>5. Professor Cross wishes to determine whether or not depression has a genetic basis. Which of the following methods would allow him to draw more powerful conclusions regarding heritability?</li> <li>A) monozygotic twin studies B) quasi-experimental studies C) correlational methods I adoption studies</li> </ul>	<b>D</b> )	
	SLO#2  1. The proposal that people are born with a biological predisposition that places them at risk for developing a psychological disorder is referred to as  A) natural selection. B) genotyping. C) the diathesis-stress model. D) the concordant model		
	<ul><li>2. Behaviorists advocate that</li><li>A) abnormal behavior arises from discussions of abnormal behavior.</li><li>B) abnormal behavior is learned.</li><li>C) insight is important in changing behavior.</li><li>D defenses are associated with resolving anxiety.</li></ul>	))	
	3. The theory and system of practice that relies on the concepts of the unconscious mind and motivations, inhibited sexual impulses, early development, and the use of free association and dream analysis is called A) psychoanalysis. B) hypnotherapy. C) cognitive therapy. D) person-centered theory.		
00/22/2014 6:57 PM	4. Wendy's doctor feels that her genetic predisposition and the strain in her social relationships coupled with the recent death of her mother are factors that have interacted to produce a psychological breakdown. The		

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	doctor's explanation can be best described as A) Freudian. B) psychological. C) sociocultural. D) biopsychosocial.		
	5. Which of the following is one of the criteria included in the DSM-5 for a diagnosis of a mental disorder?		
	A) The individual's behavior must reflect dysfunction in psychological, biological, or developmental processes.		
	B) The individual's behavior must be a socially expectable response to a particular event such as the death of a close friend or relative.		
	<ul><li>C) The individual's family must have a traceable history of mental illness.</li><li>D) The individual must be an introvert.</li></ul>		
	SLO#3 1. Wayne was a passenger in a terrible car wreck that left four of his friends dead. He has had		
	continual nightmares for months that go back to that fateful night. In addition to being emotionally numb about the whole situation, he		
	feels very guilty that he survived the ordeal. Wayne might be diagnosed as having A) generalized anxiety disorder. B) panic		
	disorder. C) acute stress disorder. D) post-traumatic stress disorder.		
	2. A client persistently views the mild headaches he occasionally gets as an indication he has a brain tumor. Magnetic resonance images		
	provide no evidence in support of his claim, yet he still insists that he has a tumor. This individual may be suffering from		
	<ul><li>A) conversion disorder B) pain disorder. C) somatic disorder. D) illness anxiety disorder</li><li>3. Howard suffers from mood swings that range</li></ul>		
	from dysphoria (mild depressive symptoms) to hypomania. His mood can change rapidly and at times his behavior borders on eccentric, but he		
	still holds down a job at the neighborhood hardware store. His marriage, although a bit strained, is on good ground. He has been		
	suffering from these mood swings for several years. Howard might be diagnosed as having A) bipolar disorder. B) dysthymic disorder. C)		
	hypomanic disorder D) cyclothymic disorder  4. Sally, a client with Alzheimer's disease, is		
	being taught a variety of ways to adapt to her memory loss. Her daily living activities are arranged around various cues intended to prompt		

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	certain activities. For example, to help her remember to brush, her toothbrush holder is attached to her bathroom door so the first thing she sees as she enters the bathroom is her toothbrush. This cueing technique is derived from which theory?  A) behavioral B) humanistic C) cognitive D) psychodynamic		
	5. Teaching children with autism spectrum disorder how to break down a large problem into smaller tasks, self-monitoring of language, relaxation training, and covert conditioning and introducing small changes in the child's environment are all methods derived from which theoretical perspective?  A) psychodynamic B) humanistic C) biological behavioral	D)	
	Dr. Mascolo abandoned his 2013 data assessment method for the following reasons:  1. the SLOs were expanded to cover 3 areas of knowledge  2. the DSM-IV was updated by the American Psychiatric Association; its DSM-5 proved to be a seismic shift in diagnostic nosology, and this required dramatic changes in course material and lecture.		
	Therefore, Dr. Mascolo instead collected scores from 3 sets of 3 multiple choice items reflecting each of the current SLOs: SLO#1 5. What is the most important limitation of correlational studies? a. They cannot determine cause and effect. b. They are very subject to bias. c. They rarely have representative samples. d. They are very difficult to do		
	9. According to your professor, science can be distinguished from philosophy mainly in terms of a. truth b. epistemology c. genuineness d. logic		
	a. manipulation b. random assignment c. confounds d. all of the above e) none of the abov	e	
	21. Correlational research designs are often used in abnormal psychology because		
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	23. A new disease is highly contagious and quickly fatal. Which of the following epidemiological patterns will most likely true? a. incidence high, prevalence low b. incidence low, prevalence high c. incidence high, prevalence high d. incidence low, prevalence low		
	Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Dr. Galbavy's standard was defined at the level of the class as a whole: The class was expected to average 70% correct on each set of 5 items reflecting each of the 3 SLOs.  Dr. Mascolo's standard was defined at the level of the individual student: each student should achieve a minimum 75% (3/4) correct responses for each of the 3 sets of exam items reflecting the 3 SLOs. The objective, though arbitrary criterion selected was no more than 30% of students meeting just 1 standard, at least 50% meeting 2/3 standards, and at least 20% meeting all 3 standards.		
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 15 - Abnormal Psychology - SLO #2 Fundamental Principles - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to identify and explain the major theories and definitions of mental illness (e.g., biological, cognitive-behavioral, psychoanalytic, humanistic, sociocultural), including the historical development of these theories. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017)  Input Date: 03/25/2014  Course SLO Status: Active	Assessment Method Description:  Dr. Galbavy & Dr. Mascolo's assessment descriptions were described above (SLO #1)  Dr. Braun collected scores from the same 10 Test Bank multiple choice items reflecting the single SLO (Theories & Definitions of Mental Illness) for the 2013 assessment; these 10 items now reflect the second current SLO (Fundamental Principles):  1. Which of the following is recognized as a major biomedical breakthrough in psychopathology because it established the link between mental and physical illnesses?  • The discovery of the cause and later cure for general paresis (syphilitic psychosis)  • The development of electroshock therapy for general paresis  • The discovery that brain injuries could be associated with mental disorders  2. The role of learning is central to the development of psychopathology in	09/12/2014 - Dr. Braun's data: Tables 1, 2, & 3 show the percentage of students correctly answering the textbook exam items considered fundamental for SLO#2 averaged 41% all were below the 70% standard. The average percentage correct was actually lower on the 4 exam items also elaborated upon in lecture compared to the 6 that were not. These results are remarkably similar to the 2013 results (see Figures 1 & 2).  Standard Met?:  No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D. Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Michael Braun, Ph.D.  Related Documents: Psych15SLO_Tables_Figs_9_18_14.doc	02/27/2015 - Evaluate course details (e.g., lecture methods, examinations) to effect changes student achievement that is consistently below standard and unresponsive to lecture emphasis.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies

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	• Dr. W. Wundt's Structuralism		
	• Dr. S. Freud's Psychoanalysis		
	Behavioral Psychology		
	3. Which viewpoint/theory focuses on		
	intrapsychic conflicts as the cause of psychopathology?		
	Biological		
	Behavioral		
	Psychoanalytic/Psychodynamic		
	Sociocultural		
	4. Understanding the causes of mental disorders		
	is important because		
	• effective treatment is not possible without such		
	an understanding.		
	<ul> <li>classification of disorders cannot be done without such information.</li> </ul>		
	• such knowledge might make the prevention of		
	mental disorders possible.		
	• the biological approach will then be the most		
	comprehensive form of treatment.		
	5. Which of the following is a modern paradigm		
	shift that has been seen in our understanding of		
	psychopathology?		
	• The recognition that biological factors are the		
	major causes of mental disorders.		
	• An acceptance of the role of early relationships in causing anxiety disorders.		
	• A renewed emphasis on the role of stress in the		
	etiology of psychopathology.		
	• An appreciation that biological, psychological,		
	and social factors all play a role in the		
	development of psychopathology.		
	6. Which of the following did Dr. Freud believe		
	played a causal role in most forms of		
	psychopathology?		
	<ul><li>anxiety</li><li>depression</li></ul>		
	• unresolved conflicts between the Ego and Id		
	• fixation at the oral stage		
	7. Interpersonal theory		
	• arose as a reaction against the assumed		
	limitations of psychoanalysis.		
	<ul> <li>was introduced by Dr. Erik Erikson.</li> </ul>		
	• emphasizes the social rather than the inner		
	determinants of behavior.		
	• is a major part of the humanistic perspective		
	today.  8. Cognitive-behavioral psychologists believe		
	that abnormal behavior results from		
	• learned maladaptive response patterns.		
	<ul> <li>distorted thinking and information processing.</li> </ul>		
	• neurotic thought processes.		
	• impaired patterns of interpersonal relationships.		
	9. Schemas can affect the development of		
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	psychopathology because they         • influence how we interpret the world.         • may be a source of psychological vulnerability.         • are the assumptions that color our interpretation of the world.         • All of the above are correct.         10. According to Dr. J. Bowlby's Attachment theory         • despair is a normal response to separation from the primary caregiver.         • despair in response to separation reveals an insecure-avoidant attachment.         • frequent parental separation in infancy helps to develop later adult resiliency.         • the failure to experience the normal parental separations in infancy produces the insecure-disorganized pattern of attachment.  Assessment Method:  Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success:  Dr. Galbavy & Dr. Mascolo's standards & targets were described above (SLO #1).  Dr. Braun's standard was defined at the level of the class as a whole: 70% of the class scoring correct on each of the 10 items.		
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 15 - Abnormal Psychology - SLO #3 Everyday Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to apply fundamental principles of abnormal psychology in their efforts to understand everyday life experiences such as these: concerns about the behavior of family or friends, cognitive decline of parent, violent crime	Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Dr. Galbavy & Dr. Mascolo's standards & targets	09/12/2014 - Dr. Galbavy & Dr. Mascolo's assessment data & analyses cover all 3 SLOs and are presented in SLO #1.  Dr. Braun's assessment data & analysis were restricted to SLO #2.  Standard Met?: No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted:	02/27/2015 - Dr. Mascolo: Evaluate course details (e.g., lecture methods, examinations) to bring student achievement up to target standards  Action Category: Teaching Strategies  01/16/2015 - Dr. Braun: Reassess
(including effects of media coverage). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015)	were described above (BEO #1). Br. Bradii s	2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.  Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Renee Galbavy, Ph.D. Michael Braun, Ph.D.	course activities (e.g., lecture materials, assessments) to bring student up to SLO targets  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017) <b>Input Date:</b> 03/25/2014		Related Documents:  Psych15SLO_Tables_Figs_9_18_14.doc  x	01/16/2015 - Dr. Braun: Establish new SLOs that cover all 3 currently used in the department
Course SLO Status: Active			Action Category: SLO/PLO Assessment Process

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presentation, students will be able to describe and contrast specific research methods in the study of lifespan development (e.g.,longitudinal, cross-	Data were collected separately by Drs. Wynne & Himsel. Each involved multiple choice exam items reflecting SLO#1. One example is included below.  (Q) Which type of research design is intended to avoid the shortcomings of both cross-sectional	09/12/2014 - For Dr. Himsel's class (57 students), 80% of the students answered the target questions correctly. Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Amy Himsel, Ph.D.	07/24/2015 - Review and retain course activities (e.g., lecture material, class activity, audio/video material) that may contribute to this success, and consider additional activities that may further student success beyond the SLO target.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017) Input Date: 03/25/2014 Course SLO Status: Active	Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: For both Drs. Wynne & Himsel, it is expected that 70% of students will answer this question correctly.	09/12/2014 - For Dr. Wynne's class (47 students), 77% of the students answered the target questions correctly. Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D. Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Michael Wynne, Ph.D.	07/24/2015 - Review and retain course activities (e.g., lecture material, class activity, audio/video material) that may contribute to this success, and consider additional activities that may further student success beyond the SLO target.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 16 - Lifespan Development - SLO #2 Fundamental Principles - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to identify, explain, and compare these aspects of the major theoretical perspectives of lifespan development: main focus, key concepts, and basic assumptions. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)	Assessment Method Description: Data were collected separately by Drs. Wynne & Himsel. Each involved multiple choice exam items reflecting SLO#2. An example of these questions is included below.  (Q) What term did Bronfenbrenner use to describe the impact of the specific time in history on a person's development?  (A) Chronosystem  Assessment Method:	09/12/2014 - For Dr. HImsel's class (57 students), 82% of the students answered the target questions correctly. Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D. Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Amy Himsel, Ph.D.	07/24/2015 - Review and retain course activities (e.g., lecture material, class activity, audio/video material) that may contribute to this success, and consider additional activities that may further student success beyond the SLO target  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Input Date: 03/25/2014 Course SLO Status:	Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: For both Drs. Wynne & Himsel, it is expected that an average of 70% of students will answer the target questions correctly.	09/12/2014 - For Dr. Wynne's class (47 students), 50% of the students answered the target questions correctly. Standard Met?: No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)	02/27/2015 - Review assessment data to determine the reason for this outlier.  Action Category: SLO/PLO Assessment Process
Active		Faculty Assessment Leader: Michael Wynne, Ph.D.	
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El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 16 - Lifespan Development - SLO #3 Everyday Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to apply fundamental lifespan principles (e.g., temperament, attachment,	Assessment Method Description: Data were collected separately by Drs. Wynne & Himsel. Dr. Wynne's involved multiple choice exam items reflecting SLO#3; Dr. Himsel's involved a developmental analysis paper in which students analyze a development-focused documentary film or an interview of a	09/12/2014 - For Dr. Wynne's class (47 students),76% of the students answered the target questions correctly. Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)	07/24/2015 - Review and retain course activities (e.g., lecture material, class activity, audio/video material) that may contribute to this success, and consider additional activities that may further student success beyond the SLO target.

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personality, parental style, milestones, interpersonal and familial relationship) in their efforts to understand everyday life experiences (e.g., child rearing, bereavement). (Created By El	Assessment Method: Multiple Assessments Standard and Target for Success: For both Drs. Wynne & Himsel. For both, It is expected that a class average of 70% will be achieved.	Faculty Assessment Leader: Michael Wynne, Ph.D.	Action Category: Teaching Strategies
Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017)  Input Date: 03/26/2014  Course SLO Status: Active		09/12/2014 - For Dr. Himsel's class (34 students), the class average on the development analysis paper was 87%.  Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D. Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Michael Wynne, Ph.D. Amy Himsel, Ph.D.	07/24/2015 - Review and retain course activities (e.g., lecture material, class activity, audio/video material) that may contribute to this success, and consider additional activities that may further student success beyond the SLO target.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 2 - Psychology of Effective Living - SLO #1 Logic of the Scientific Method - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to incorporate the essential features of scientific skepticism (e.g., maintaining open-mindedness). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)	Assessment was obtained using a multiple choice exam measuring student understanding of research methodology, ethics, and skepticism.  Assessment Method:  Exam/Test/Quiz  Standard and Target for Success:	09/12/2014 - The overall average of the class was 60.1%  Standard Met?:  No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Julio Farias, M.A.  Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.	02/27/2015 - Review lecture material making the case for the importance of scientific skepticism especially in applied course like this.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
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El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 2 - Psychology of Effective Living - SLO #2 Fundamental Principles - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation students will be able to differentiate and compare fundamental theories and models of psychological adjustment to modern life (e.g., self-regulation, personal development). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) -	Assessment was obtained using a multiple choice exam, four short essays (1-2 pages) measuring student understanding of personality development and adjustment to modern life.  Assessment Method:	09/12/2014 - The overall class average was 71.8%  Standard Met?:  No Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Julio Farias, M.A.	02/27/2015 - Review lecture material and assessment consider possibility that student writing ability hampers meeting this SLO standard.  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016)			

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2016-17 (Spring 2017) Input Date: 03/25/2014 Course SLO Status: Active			
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 2 - Psychology of Effective Living - SLO #3 Everyday Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to demonstrate awareness of personal factors (e.g., emotions, motivations, behaviors) in their efforts to understand everyday	Assessment Method Description: Assessment data were collected via the Keirsy-Bates Temperament Sorter (available to students on-line), five self-assessment exercises to measure physical health, levels of stress, alcohol and drug usage, and self-efficacy (all located within the text), and a semester project of self-improvement.  Assessment Method: Multiple Assessments Standard and Target for Success: It is expected that the overall score of the class will average 90%.	09/12/2014 - The overall score of the class was 72.1%  Standard Met?:  No  Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.  Faculty Contributing to Assessment: Julio Farias, M.A.	02/27/2015 - Compare these results with overall Success/Retention rates for this course to determine the degree to which the items making up the assessment correlate with overall student success.  Action Category: SLO/PLO Assessment Process
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#1 Logic of the Scientific Method - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to explain and evaluate various types of data relevant to the biological basis of behavior (e.g., experimental versus non-experimental, human versus infrahuman, basic versus applied). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017)  Input Date:	Assessment Method Description: To be updated with 2014 data Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Course grades of D or F are considered failures because they do not transfer to 4-year institutions. Midterm or course numerical scores below 70% are considered failures for the same reason.	09/12/2014 - The target of 67% was exceeded72% of students met the standard for SLO #1, so the standard was met (see Table 2).  In addition, the target of 80% was exceeded 88% of students met the standard for 2 or more SLOs, so this standard was met as well (see Table 3).  Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.	02/27/2015 - Extend data analysis in order to hone in on effective teaching strategies that may be applied to SLO #2 material  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
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El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 7 - Physiological Psychology - SLO #2 Fundamental Principles - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation,	Assessment Method Description: Please see SLO#1. Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Please see SLO#1.	09/12/2014 - The target of 67% was exceeded68% of students met the standard for SLO #2, so the standard was met (see Table 2).  In addition, the target of 80% was exceeded 88% of students met the standard for 2 or more SLOs, so this	02/27/2015 - The target was met, though just barely; teaching strategies will be evaluated to increase achievement of SLO target
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nervous system structures (e.g., neural and glial cells; brain stem and forebrain; meninges and blood-brain barrier) and functions (e.g., resting and action potentials; excitatory and inhibitory postsynaptic potentials; sensory transduction; agonistic and antagonistic drug effects). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)		standard was met as well (see Table 3).  Standard Met?: Yes Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo Related Documents: Psych7Tables_Figs_9_19_14	Action Category: Teaching Strategies
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El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 7 - Physiological Psychology - SLO #3 Everyday Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to apply fundamental psychopsychological principles in their efforts to understand everyday life experiences (e.g., weight control, sexual behavior, insomnia; coping with cognitive decline). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017)  Input Date:	Assessment Method Description: Please see SLO#1 Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Please see SLO#1	09/12/2014 - The target of 67% was exceeded89% of students met the standard for SLO #3, so the standard was met (see Table 2).  In addition, the target of 80% was exceeded 88% of students met the standard for 2 or more SLOs, so this standard was met as well (see Table 3).  Standard Met?: Yes  Semester and Year Assessment Conducted: 2013-14 (Spring 2014)  Faculty Assessment Leader: Richard Mascolo, Ph.D.  Related Documents: Psych7Tables_Figs_9_19_14	02/27/2015 - Extend data analysis in order to hone in on effective teaching strategies that may be applied to bolster SLO #2 material  Action Category: Teaching Strategies
Course SLO Status: Active			
El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology - ECC: PSYC 9B - Experimental Methods in the Study of Behavior - SLO #1 Logic of the Scientific Method - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill-in, matching, essay), written essay, research paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be able to explain and critique essential components of the scientific method in psychological research. (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology)  Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015)	Assessment Method Description: Given these developments and the concern that has emerged, this semester's course assessment compared midterm exam and final course scores across the 2011, 2012, 2013, and now 2014 spring semesters at ECC. Assessment Method: Exam/Test/Quiz Standard and Target for Success: Course grades of D or F are considered failures because they do not transfer to 4-year institutions. Midterm or course numerical scores below 70% are considered failures for the same reason.	09/12/2014 - Table 1 summarizes the course characteristics and compares midterm and course percentage D/Fs for 2011-2014. Tables 2 & 3 show the results of statistical analysis comparing results across the 4 Spring semesters.  At its core, data analysis is used to estimate population parameters based on sample statistics, and virtually all studies in the social & behavioral sciences rely on samples that are very small compared to the populations they purportedly represent. This SLO assessment is no exception, and so the validity of the statistics presented above must be scrutinized carefully. In addition, the interpretation of data analysis never includes cause and effect conclusions; these are justified solely by research	

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**Assessment Methods & Standard and Target** Course SLOs Results **Action & Follow-Up** for Success / Tasks (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) -Psychology) Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017) Input Date: 03/25/2014 Course SLO Status: Active El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology -**Assessment Method Description:** 09/12/2014 - Please see SLO#1 ECC: PSYC 9B - Experimental Methods in the Please see SLO#1 Standard Met?: Study of Behavior - SLO #3 Everyday **Assessment Method:** No Application - On examination (e.g., m/c, T/F, fill- Exam/Test/Quiz **Semester and Year Assessment Conducted:** in, matching, essay), written essay, research Standard and Target for Success: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) paper, and/or oral presentation, students will be Please see SLO#1 able to evaluate both the adequacy and relevance of research in their efforts to understand everyday life experiences (e.g., choose a diet plan, decide if a treatment or product is safe and effective, vote for or against a proposition). (Created By El Camino: Course SLOs (BSS) - Psychology) Course SLO Assessment Cycle: 2013-14 (Spring 2014) 2014-15 (Spring 2015) 2015-16 (Spring 2016) 2016-17 (Spring 2017) Input Date: 03/25/2014 Course SLO Status: Active