Bachelor of Science with a major in Psychology, Macon

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Academic Program Assessment Report Information

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report:		
In which college or school is this program	Education and Behavioral Sciences	
located?		
Program Type:	Undergraduate	
Approximately how many students are in this	81	
program at this location?		

Student Learning Outcomes

SLO1

SLO 1: What is the first Student Learning	The SLO statement was "Students will identify
Outcome for this academic program? Student	appropriate research methodology and explain
Learning Outcomes should be stated in	its limitations to answer psychological questions
measurable terms (i.e. students will be able	and choose the appropriate statistical analysis."
to)	
SLO 1: What instrument (assessment type) was	10 Exam Questions8 multiple choice and 2 free
used to measure student's ability to	response written response questions. PSYC
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	majors who took PSYC 3002- Research Methods
(I.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	in Macon in Fall 2021 and Spring 2022 were
demonstration of ability, lab assignment) and	assessed.
provide specific details of the instrument (e.g.	
Exam 2, Course HLSA 3800; Final Group Project,	
HIST 3900) is learning outcome?	
SLO 1: What target performance level would a	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3002-
student need to achieve on the assessment	Research Methods on the Macon campus will
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	earn 70% or better on the assessment measure.
learning outcome? (I.e. 80% of all students will	
earn an average grade of 75% or better on)	
SLO 1: Provide details for your target	The standard of 70% was established several
performance level established (i.e. accreditation	years ago based on the minimum passing level
requirement, past performance data, peer	for the course (i.e., grade of 'C').
program review, etc.)	
SLO 1: During this assessment cycle, what	86%
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment met the target performance level	
and demonstrated mastery of this learning	
outcome.	
SLO 1: Improvement Plans and Evidence of	Although the target was met for PSYC 3002 on
changes based on an analysis of the results:	the Macon campus, based on results from the
What changes were implemented based on an	Cochran campus and online, in 2022-2023, the
analysis of the students' performance on this	Department Chair and PSYC faculty who teach
Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the	PSYC 3002 will meet to consider new approaches
improvement must be kept and filed in the	to assessment of PSYC 3002 and possible changes
department or academic unit including but not	to course instruction materials and assignments
limited to: changes in exam questions, reading	to deepen student learning of the relevant
assignments, syllabi, course instruction	material.
materials or assignments. Both old versions and	
new versions should be kept on file for 10 years.	
Major changes to curriculum must go through	
the Academic Affairs process.)	

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SLO 2: What is the second Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student	The SLO statement was "Students will identify major mental disorders as presented in the
Learning Outcomes should be stated in	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual and choose
measurable terms (i.e. students will be able	appropriate treatment."
to)	
SLO 2: What instrument (assessment type) was	7 Multiple Choice Exam Questions were used to
used to measure student's ability to	assess the SLO. PSYC majors who took PSYC 3265-
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	Abnormal Psychology on the Macon campus in
(I.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	Fall 2021 took the assessment.
demonstration of ability, lab assignment) and	
provide specific details of the instrument (e.g.	
Exam 2, Course HLSA 3800; Final Group Project,	
HIST 3900) is learning outcome?	
SLO 2: What target performance level would a	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3265 on the
student need to achieve on the assessment	Macon campus in Fall 2021 will earn 70% or
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	better on the assessment measure.
learning outcome? (I.e. 80% of all students will	
earn an average grade of 75% or better on)	
SLO 2: Provide details for your target	The standard of 70% was established several
performance level established (i.e. accreditation	years ago based on the minimum passing level
requirement, past performance data, peer	for the course (i.e., grade of 'C').
program review, etc.)	
SLO 2: During this assessment cycle, what	82%
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment met the target performance level	
and demonstrated mastery of this learning	
outcome.	
SLO 2: Improvement Plans and Evidence of	The target performance was met with a class size
changes based on an analysis of the results:	of 11 students. In 2 of the last 3 years, the target
What changes were implemented based on an	was met for this assessment on the Macon
analysis of the students' performance on this	campus. And, it was met on the other 2
Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the	campuses this year as well. We will continue
improvement must be kept and filed in the	monitoring the results for 2022-2023.
department or academic unit including but not	
limited to: changes in exam questions, reading	
assignments, syllabi, course instruction	
materials or assignments. Both old versions and	
new versions should be kept on file for 10 years.	
Major changes to curriculum must go through	
the Academic Affairs process.)	

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SLO 3: What is the third Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able	The SLO statement was "Students will identify the functions of major structures of the brain and nervous system."
to)	
SLO 3: What instrument (assessment type) was	10 multiple choice questions were used to assess
used to measure student's ability to	the SLO. PSYC majors who took PSYC 3401-
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	Biopsychology- on the Macon campus in Fall 2021
(I.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	and Spring 2022 were assessed on the measure.
demonstration of ability, lab assignment) and	and spring 2022 were assessed on the measure.
provide specific details of the instrument (e.g.	
Exam 2, Course HLSA 3800; Final Group Project,	
HIST 3900) is learning outcome?	
SLO 3: What target performance level would a	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3401-
student need to achieve on the assessment	Biopsychology on the Macon campus will earn
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	70% or better on the assessment measure.
learning outcome? (I.e. 80% of all students will	
earn an average grade of 75% or better on)	
SLO 3: Provide details for your target	The standard of 70% was established several
performance level established (i.e. accreditation	years ago based on the minimum passing level
requirement, past performance data, peer	for the course (i.e., grade of 'C').
program review, etc.)	
SLO 3: During this assessment cycle, what	46%
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment met the target performance level	
and demonstrated mastery of this learning	
outcome.	
SLO 3: Improvement Plans and Evidence of	The target was not met for the PSYC 3401
changes based on an analysis of the results:	assessment on the Macon (or Cochran) campus.
What changes were implemented based on an	The results were not met for this assessment on
analysis of the students' performance on this	this campus in the prior year either. In 2022-
Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the	2023, the Department Chair and PSYC faculty
improvement must be kept and filed in the	who teach PSYC 3401 will meet to consider new
department or academic unit including but not	approaches to assessment of PSYC 3401 and
limited to: changes in exam questions, reading	possible changes to course instruction materials
assignments, syllabi, course instruction	and assignments to deepen student learning of
materials or assignments. Both old versions and	the relevant material.
new versions should be kept on file for 10 years.	
Major changes to curriculum must go through	
the Academic Affairs process.)	

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SLO 4: What is the fourth Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to)	The SLO statement was "Students will synthesize concepts from cross-cultural research and theory in an integrative essay."
SLO 4: What instrument (assessment type) was	Students in PSYC 3201- Cross-Cultural Psychology
used to measure student's ability to	responded to a prompt that asked them to write
demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome?	an essay that synthesized particular
(I.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech,	information/concepts from Cross-cultural
demonstration of ability, lab assignment) and	Psychology. The SLO statement was "Students will
provide specific details of the instrument (e.g.	synthesize concepts from cross-cultural research
Exam 2, Course HLSA 3800; Final Group Project,	and theory in an integrative essay."
HIST 3900) is learning outcome?	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
SLO 4: What target performance level would a	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3201- Cross-
student need to achieve on the assessment	Cultural Psychology- on the Macon campus in
instrument to demonstrate mastery of this	Spring 2022 will earn 70% or better on their
learning outcome? (I.e. 80% of all students will	integrative essay response.
earn an average grade of 75% or better on)	
SLO 4: Provide details for your target	The standard of 70% was established several
performance level established (i.e. accreditation	years ago based on the minimum passing level
requirement, past performance data, peer	for the course (i.e., grade of 'C').
program review, etc.)	
SLO 4: During this assessment cycle, what	100%
percent of the students who participated in this	
assessment met the target performance level	
and demonstrated mastery of this learning	
outcome.	
SLO 4: Improvement Plans and Evidence of	The target for the assessment of PSYC 3201 on
changes based on an analysis of the results:	the Macon campus was met/far exceeded this
What changes were implemented based on an	year. The target performance was missed by just
analysis of the students' performance on this	1 percentage point (79%) the prior year on this
Student Learning Outcome? (Evidence of the	campus and was far exceeded 2 years ago. We
improvement must be kept and filed in the	will continue to monitor the results in 2022-2023.
department or academic unit including but not	
limited to: changes in exam questions, reading	
assignments, syllabi, course instruction	
materials or assignments. Both old versions and	
new versions should be kept on file for 10 years.	
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Sampling

How many students participated in the	54
assessment of these learning outcomes, in this	
program, for this assessment cycle at this	
location?	

Open Box for Assessment Comments

Required: In this field, please document the overall use of assessment results for continuous improvement (consider the past, present, and future and specifically address these in your narrative).	3 of the 4 SLO target goals were met this year on the Macon campus. The target/goal for SLO # 1 for PSYC 3401 was not met and wasn't met in the prior two assessment years. In 2022-2023, the Department Chair and Faculty who teach PSYC 3401 (and PSYC 3002, due to assessment results on other campuses) will meet discuss new approaches to assessment and/or possible changes to instruction materials.
Optional Open Text Box For Assessment Comments:	
If the COVID-19 pandemic impacted this assessment cycle, please provide specific details below. (Also submit any COVID-19 correspondence from your accrediting body to assessment@mga.edu when you submit this form with your Department name and program in the subject line.)	