



Actions Taken As a Result of Assessment

Department: Department of Communication

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1. Outcome/objective/goal reviewed: Faith Traditions

“All undergraduates will develop and demonstrate ability to engage in intellectually informed, appreciative, and critical inquiry regarding major faith traditions. Students will be familiar with the basic theological understandings and central texts that shape Catholic beliefs and teachings, practices, and spiritualities. Students’ abilities should be developed sufficiently to allow them to examine deeply their own faith commitments and also to participate intelligently and respectfully in dialogue with other traditions.”

2. Changes made since the last time this goal was reviewed: (If this was the first time the goal was reviewed skip to question four.) We added a question to the senior survey.

3. What prompted those changes? A desire to see what students thought about their faith experiences while at UD.

4. After reviewing the assessment results the department has decided to

- ✓ Stay the course and continue to monitor; we’re satisfied that this goal is being met.
- ✓ However we are also planning on adding items to our annual assessment survey to capture involvement with campus ministry and other religious activities and involvements.

5. Changes to goal itself –

After working with this particular goal the department has decided to:

- ✓ Keep the wording of this goal as is and add additional measures.

Comments: Students bring religious and faith training with them to UD. In addition they take general education coursework in religious studies as well as philosophy that should enhance their understanding of the major faith traditions. Finally students are provided many opportunities to serve others as well as participate in religious activities on and off campus.

- In addition, 95.8% of the graduating seniors indicated they had developed a deeper understanding of different faith traditions while at UD.

