

UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON

**ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SUMMARY FORM FOR M.A. IN THEOLOGICAL STUDIES**

**June 2003**

**Department Chair: Terrence Tilley**

**Assessment Committee: V. Branick, J. Martin**

**Outcome 1.** Students will be able to research appropriate topics using the standard reference tools and various methodologies recognized in theology and the academic study of religion.

**Measure 1.** Faculty who evaluate theses, projects and major papers will complete forms attesting that at least 85% have met this criteria.

The work of 10 of 10 students (100%) demonstrated this.

**Measure 2.** At least 80% of graduates will have completed a methods seminar.

8 of 10 (80%) have taken this seminar.

**Outcome 2.** Students will be able to provide examples of religion as a fundamental human phenomenon which embraces persons of various cultural or ethnic groups and faith traditions.

**Measure 1.** Examination of course records and syllabi will show that at least 90% of students received B or better in at least one course which presented such perspectives.

9 of 10 (90%) of students achieved this.

**Measure 2.** Exit interview by Chair will reveal that 80% will agree that this outcome has been achieved.

Data not collected.

**Outcome 3.** Graduates will be professionally competent, capable of taking on employment in positions (such as pastoral ministry, education and human services) which utilize and express what they have learned in the graduate program.

**Measure 1.** Results of questionnaires, sent out every five years, to parishes, schools or service agencies who have hired recent MA graduates will show that at least 80% of those responding will agree or strongly agree that these graduates are judged to have been appropriately prepared.

Next survey is scheduled for 2004

**Measure 2.** Results of questionnaires, sent every five years to recent graduates will show that 80% of those responding will agree that the outcome has been achieved.

Next survey is scheduled for 2004

**Outcome 4.** Those students who intend to enter a

doctoral program will be adequately prepared to do so.

Measure 1. An examination of records will indicate that at least 70% of our graduates who seek admission to such programs are accepted.

Data not available.

Measure 2 In a triennial survey of recent graduates, 80% of those who are currently engaged in or have completed doctoral work will agree that this outcome has been achieved.

Data not collected.

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**ASSESSMENT PROGRAM SUMMARY FORM  
RELIGIOUS STUDIES - M.A. PASTORAL MINISTRIES**

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**Outcome 1.** Students will be able to research appropriate topics using the standard reference and various methodologies recognized in theology and the academic study of religion.

Measure 1. Faculty who evaluate theses, projects and major papers will complete forms indicating competence of students. At least 85 % will have met these criteria.

1 student was graduated in the PAM program and met this criteria.

Measure 2. At least 80% of graduates will have completed a methods seminar.

The 1 graduate did take this seminar

Measure 3. A quinquennial survey of graduates will show that at least 80% of respondents agree or strongly agree that the outcome has been achieved.

Next survey is scheduled for 2004.

**Outcome 2.** Students will be able to describe and provide examples of religion as a fundamental human phenomenon which embraces persons of various cultural or ethnic groups and faith traditions.

Measure 1. Examination of course records and syllabi will show that at least 90% of students received B or more in at least one course which presents such perspectives.

Requirements were met by the student.

Measure 2. Exit interview by Chair will reveal that 80% will agree that this outcome has been achieved.

Data not collected.

**Outcome 3.** They will be professionally competent, capable of taking on employment in positions (such as pastoral ministry, education and human services) which utilize and express what they have learned in the graduate program.

Measure 1. Results of questionnaires, sent every five years to parishes, schools or service agencies who have hired recent MA graduates, will show that at least 80% of those responding will agree or strongly agree that these graduates are judged to have been appropriately prepared.

Next survey scheduled for 2004.

Measure 2. Results of questionnaires, sent every five years to recent graduates will show that 80% of those responding will agree that the outcome has been achieved.

Next survey scheduled for 2004.

**Outcome 4.** Students will be able to describe the relationship between their graduate study and their development as full human persons committed to the service of broader human communities.

**Measure 1.** A written self-assessment will verify that 90% of students graduated in Pastoral Ministries courses have achieved this outcome.

Data not collected

**Measure 2.** Assessment committee will examine a sampling of papers by at least 50% of graduates and verify that 90% of these have achieved this outcome.

Outcome confirmed for the sole PAM . graduate