

# UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON ASSESSMENT ACTIVITY FORM

**PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT**      *DRAFT 06-29-07*  
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OUTCOMES/MEASURE UTILIZED	RESULTS
<p>Outcome Four - Measures Utilized</p> <p>Outcome 4. <b>Philosophical research:</b> Graduating Philosophy majors will be able to use various print and electronic sources of information effectively when doing philosophical research. (Such sources may include catalogues, books, periodicals, databases, indexes, encyclopedias, and bibliographies.) Graduating majors will also be able to evaluate and analyze information gathered from a variety of sources in the course of their philosophical research.</p> <p>Measure 1: Students will complete a one credit-hour course, required for PHL 240 Research Methodologies and Technologies. Completion of the course entails production of a satisfactory annotated bibliography on an assigned research question.</p> <p>Measure 2: Instructors for the 400-level seminars and 300-level history of philosophy courses each term will report on each Philosophy major's philosophical research skills. Students who receive positive reports in at least three seminars or history courses will be considered to have demonstrated appropriate research skills. Seminar/history course reports each year will indicate that 80% of graduating majors have demonstrated these skills.</p> <p>Measure 3: Exit surveys of graduating majors will show that 80% agree or strongly agree that they have gained the stated abilities in philosophical research.</p>	<p>Measure 1: 100% [n=7] of graduating majors completed the workshop and submitted satisfactory annotated bibliographies.</p> <p>Measure 2: 85.7% [n=7] of graduating majors received positive reports on their research skills in at least three seminars/history courses.</p> <p>Measure 3: 100% [n=5] of graduating majors agree or strongly agree that the major has improved their ability to use print and electronic sources of information effectively. 100% [n=6] agree or strongly agree that the major has improved their ability to evaluate and analyze information gathered from a variety of sources.</p>