

UC San Diego - WASC Exhibit 7.1 Inventory of Educational Effectiveness Indicators

Academic Program	(2) What are these learning outcomes?	(3) Other than GPA, what data/evidence is used to determine that graduates have achieved stated outcomes for the degree? (e.g., capstone course, portfolio review, licensure examination)	(4) Who interprets the evidence? What is the process?	(5) How are the findings used?
	Where are they published? (Please specify)			
<p>Department: <i>German Studies Program</i></p> <p>Major: <i>B.A. in German Studies</i></p> <p>(1) Have formal learning outcomes been developed? <i>Yes</i></p> <p>(6) Date of last Academic Senate Review? <i>2012-13</i></p>	<p><i>German Studies is a small interdisciplinary program that offers both a major and a minor for students with broad academic interests in the German-speaking world. Students develop advanced fluency in the German language and a broad knowledge of German literature, history, politics, and culture. The major prepares students for graduate study in German or European Studies and lays the foundation for future careers in such fields as international relations, education, or for entry into professional schools such as law.</i></p> <p>Students graduating with a degree should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Read, speak, write, and understand German with near-native fluency.</i> • <i>Interpret literary texts in German with sensitivity to both aesthetic form and historical context.</i> • <i>Understand key issues in contemporary German politics and culture as they relate to major historical events and debates of the German past.</i> <hr/> <p>Learning outcomes published:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Catalogue, brochures, University and department websites, course syllabi and course websites.</i> 	<p>Data/Evidence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Successful completion of two years of university-level German language instruction or the equivalent.</i> • <i>Successful completion of both German Studies I (Aesthetic Cultures) and II (National Identities).</i> • <i>Successful completion of at least 3 upper-division courses in German Literature and 2 upper-division courses in German History.</i> • <i>5 additional German-related upper-division courses in at least 2 different departments.</i> • <i>While not required, participation in one of the UC Education Abroad Programs in Germany is strongly encouraged.</i> • <i>Graduating seniors with a GPA of at least 3.5 may opt to write a Seniors Honors Thesis of 30-50 pages. The student defends the thesis at a one-hour oral exam before a committee consisting of 3 German Studies faculty members.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Program in German Studies was approved by the Committee on Educational Policies and Courses (CEP).</i> • <i>The Program Director approves individual courses to be counted toward the major.</i> • <i>Instructors of individual courses assign materials and grades for specific courses.</i> • <i>Students evaluate each course and instructor.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>CEP reviews and approves the proposed major.</i> • <i>Faculty members determine the requirements for the major and adjust them if necessary.</i> • <i>Individual course instructors use feedback to modify their classes.</i>

