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| SLO1: Students will demonstrate knowledge of the discipline of African American Studies: how it began, how the discipline has grown, and what constitute the major ideas/questions in the discipline. | **Measure 1.1:** Specific questions about the discipline of African American Studies will be included on the final exam in each section of AAST 200. All students enrolled in AAST 200 will be responsible for this information.  
**Performance Target:** 80% of the students tested will demonstrate substantial or thorough knowledge (i.e., by scoring 75% or above) on a common rubric.  
**Measure 1.2:** Students will write an essay late in the course comparing two important perspectives on a particular debate in African American Studies and develop an argument about which position is more compelling.  
**Performance Target:** 80% of students will demonstrate substantial or thorough knowledge (i.e., by scoring 75% or above) on a common rubric. |
| SLO2: By devising appropriate research projects for the discipline, students will demonstrate knowledge of the field of African American Studies and show that they can produce written work in accordance with the conventions of the field. | **Measure 2.1:** Students produce a bibliography that supports a research project.  
**Performance Target:** 80% of students will follow conventions either exactly or substantially (i.e., scoring at least a 1 on both measures on the common rubric).  
**Measure 2.2:** Students in AAST 250 produce an outline proposal of a final research project employing social science methodology to study an issue in African American life and culture. Proposals will be scored with a common rubric.  
**Performance Target:** 80% of students will earn a 75% or better on the proposal. |
| SLO3: By designing a research project, students will demonstrate that they can synthesize knowledge gained in the major. | **Measure 3.1:** Students in the capstone course AAST 401 will write a proposal for a research project. Proposals will be assessed with a common rubric.  
**Performance Target:** All students will produce proposals for projects that can either proceed as described or with minimal tweaking (i.e., that score at least a 1 on a 3-point scale)  
**Measure 3.2:** Students produce a research project in their capstone (AAST 401). The projects will be assessed with a common rubric.  
**Performance Target:** All students will score at least a B or above on the project. |