

English Assessment Report

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1 INTRODUCTION

Fall 2020 marks a reestablishment of earlier assessment logistical practices (assessment tool) combined with the new model initiated in fall 2019 (collecting data of co-requisite enrolled-ENC 1130 students and their performance in ENC 1101). Four courses will be covered in this assessment plan which marks a transition between ENC 0022 *Writing for College Success* in support of ENC 1101 *Composition I*, to ENC 1130 *Improving College Writing* supporting ENC 1101. The courses are ENC 0022, ENC 1130, ENC 1101, and ENC 1102 (as an indirect measured assessment). For fall 2020, the assessment plan will include ENC 0022 until it is completely phased out and replaced by ENC 1130.

The standard assessment plan highlighted above is designed to evaluate each course and inform faculty on Student Learning Objectives (SLOs) for future assessment plans. Additionally, the plan provides information on achievement levels of concurrent dual enrollment artifacts compared with traditional, as by modality, and by site, where possible.

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2 ENC 0022

2.1 LEARNING OBJECTIVES & DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

Using common rubric criterion as an assessment method, the FSW English faculty defined multiple areas of interest for evaluation based on core outcomes for the course. Those outcomes include:

- Plan and write paragraphs and essays reflecting styles and tones appropriate for their audience and use adequate support, coherence, and unity that demonstrate understanding of content for expository and persuasive purposes.
- Establish a substantive claim, link claims to relevant evidence, and acknowledge competing arguments, gather information needed, and accurately incorporate source material into their own writing to avoid plagiarism.
- Identify and correctly use proper conventions for sentence grammar and avoid illogical shifts in pronouns and verbs in their own writing and on tests.
- Identify and use proper conventions for spelling, capitalization, and punctuation in their own writing and on tests.
- Identify and correctly use the conventions of a variety of sentence structures and will be able to avoid sentence fragments, comma splices, and fused sentences in their own writing and on tests.

- Identify and write effective topic sentences and thesis statements that address task and audience and use logical structure, support, and transitional devices for expository and persuasive purposes.

2.1.1 Learning Objectives

ENC 0022 is scored using a rubric with seven dimensions: Introductory Paragraph, Support Paragraphs, Organization, Concluding Paragraph, Grammar, Mechanics, and Research. Each dimension is scored on a scale of 1 to 4 (1-Unacceptable, 2-Needs work, 3-Average, 4-Above average), with 0s if the baseline of 'Unacceptable' is not met. The English department has identified a target statistic for measurement purposes (SLO1) of measuring the percentage of artifacts scoring a 2 or greater.

For the fall 2020 assessment, while three sections were run in the term, all recorded data through the Learning Management System (Canvas) and utilized shuffled questions/answers. As a result, no data could be reported.

3 ENC 1101 & ENC 1130

Using common rubric criterion revised based on assessment results of AY 2016-17 as an assessment method, the FSW English faculty defined two areas of interest for evaluation based on core outcomes for the course. Using two revised common rubric dimensions, the outcomes include:

- SLO 1: Students must incorporate research into their own writing using summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation by composing academic research assignments.
 - (5) Achieves Excellence: The student integrates and explicates relevant and credible sources in his or her academic research through summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation; (4) Exceeds Expectations: The student introduces and explicates relevant and credible sources in his or her academic research through summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation; (3) Meets Expectations: The student introduces and uses some relevant and credible sources in his or her academic research through some summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation; (2) Needs Improvement: The student identifies, but does little to include, relevant and credible sources in his or her academic research through minimal summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation; (1) Does Not Meet Expectations: The student does not include relevant and credible sources in his or her academic research and/or engage in summary, paraphrase, and direct quotation.
- SLO 2: Students must demonstrate the ability to organize, compose, revise, and edit essays with clear thesis statements, coherent, unified paragraphs, and varied sentence structures and length.
 - (5) Achieves Excellence: The student develops and engages in a thorough process of drafting and revision to produce a composition with a clear thesis statement, unified paragraphs, and varied sentence structure and length; (4) Exceeds Expectations: The student develops and engages in a satisfactory process of drafting and revision to produce a composition with a clear thesis statement, unified paragraphs, and varied sentence structure and length; (3) Meets Expectations: The student mostly follows a process of drafting and revision to produce a composition with a thesis statement, unified paragraphs, and some varied sentence structure and length; (2) Needs Improvement: The student does minimal drafting and revision to produce a composition

that is lacking in a clear thesis statement and/or unified paragraphs, and some varied sentence structure and length; (1) Does Not Meet Expectations: The student does not engage in drafting and revision and does not produce a composition that has a clear thesis statement, unified paragraphs, and/or varied sentence structure and length.

3.1 LEARNING OUTCOMES, OBJECTIVES, & DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

3.1.1 Learning Outcomes & Objectives

Each assessment will be used to assess student ability to recognize and produce effective writing. The department established the following goals for the assessments:

- Establish baseline data between 1130 and 1101 on each rubric dimension.
- Establish baseline data by site between 1130 and 1101 on each site or by each modality.

3.1.2 Learning Outcomes Achievement

ENC 1101 is scored using a rubric with just two dimensions as listed above and herein referred to as SLO 1 and SLO 2. The English department has identified a target statistic for measurement purposes of measuring the percentage of artifacts scoring a 3 or greater. For the fall 2020 assessment, 912 artifacts were collected for ENC 1101 from 44 course sections. SLO 1 achievement is 74% scoring 3 or greater. SLO 2 achievement is 77% scoring 3 or greater (Table 1).

Rubric Score	SLO 1	SLO 2
% Meets Expectations or Higher	74%	77%
5	28%	27%
4	20%	23%
3	26%	27%
2	11%	8%
1	16%	15%

Table 1. Percentage of student achievement level by rubric dimension (includes percentage of students scoring in developmental level or higher as per SLO) for ENC 1101.

3.1.3 Learning Outcomes Achievement Comparison of 1101 and 1130

Of the 912 artifacts collected from the ENC 1101 assessment, 863 originated from standard students, while 49 originated from co-requisite enrolled students (students enrolled in ENC 1130 while also enrolled in ENC 1101). In SLO 1, artifacts originating from ENC 1101-only students exhibit a 15% higher achievement percentage. In SLO 2, that gap is narrowed to 11% (Table 2).

Rubric Score	ENC 1101 only		ENC 1101 & ENC 1130	
	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 1	SLO 2
% Meets Expectations or Higher	74%	78%	59%	67%
5	29%	28%	18%	18%
4	20%	24%	8%	20%
3	25%	26%	33%	29%
2	10%	7%	22%	14%
1	15%	15%	18%	18%

Table 2. Percentage achievement by rubric dimension for ENC 1101-only students and those also enrolled in ENC 1130.

3.2 COMPARISONS BY SITE, FORMAT, AND STUDENT TYPE

3.2.1 Dual Enrollment to Non-Dual Enrollment Comparison

Of the artifacts collected from the ENC 1101 assessment, 131 originated from concurrent dual enrollment sections, while 157 originated from traditional (non-online, flex, or blended) sections. In SLO 1, artifacts originating from concurrent dual enrollment sections exhibit the same achievement percentage as those from traditional sections. In SLO 2, dual enrollment is 6% points higher (Table 3).

	Dual Enrollment		Traditional (non-online, flex, or blended)	
Rubric Score	SLO 1	SLO 2	SLO 1	SLO 2
% Meets Expectations or Higher	57%	68%	57%	62%
5	16%	27%	19%	26%
4	32%	27%	23%	24%
3	9%	13%	15%	11%
2	7%	6%	10%	10%
1	0%	0%	1%	0%

Table 3. Percentage achievement by rubric dimension for ENC 1101-only students and those also enrolled in ENC 1130.

3.2.2 Modality Comparison

Of the artifacts collected from the ENC 1101 assessment, 361 originated from asynchronous online sections, 223 from live online, 0 from flex, 40 from blended, and 157 from traditional. In SLO 1, artifacts originating from asynchronous online exhibit the highest achievement at 63%, followed by traditional at 57%, then live online at 48%, and finally blended, at 33% (Figure 1). In SLO 2, artifacts originating from traditional exhibit the highest achievement at 62%, followed by asynchronous online at 60%, live online at 50%, and blended at 30%. Blended and live online are significantly different from asynchronous and traditional, according to a Fisher's exact test.

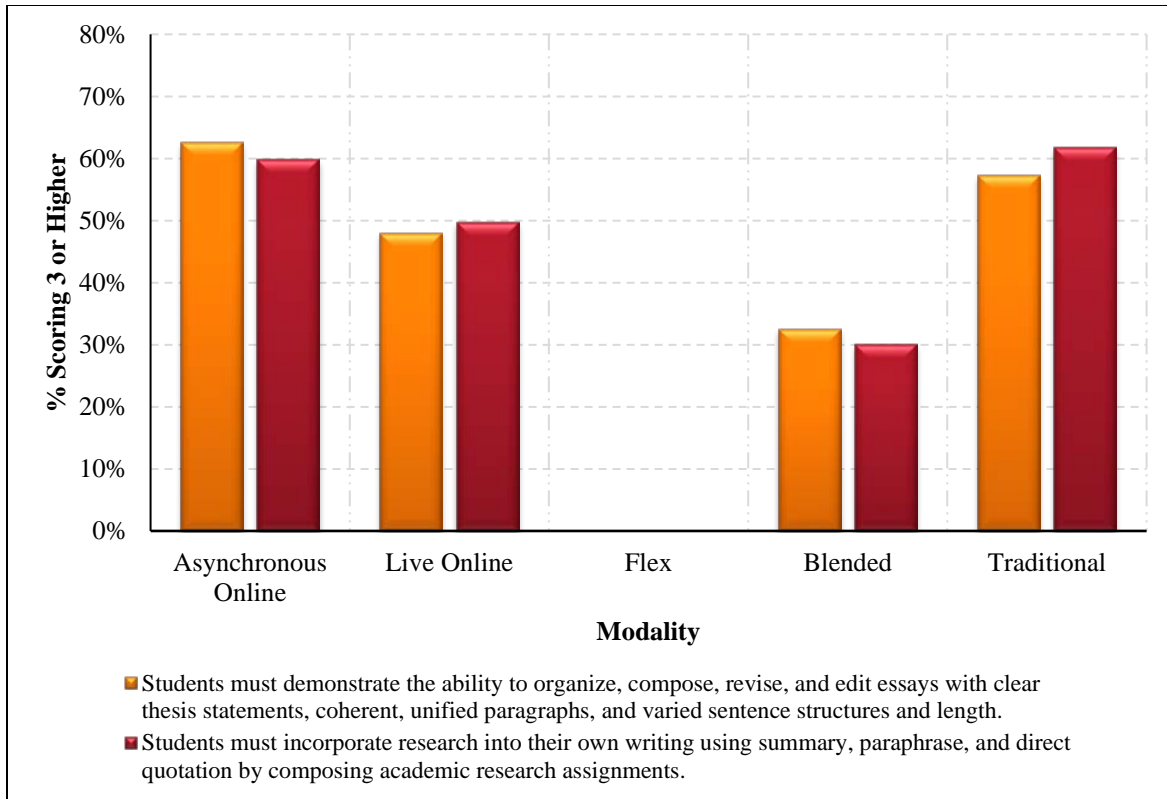


Figure 1. Achievement by modality.

3.2.3 Comparison by Site/Campus

Of the artifacts collected from the ENC 1101 assessment, 0 originated from the Charlotte campus, 0 from the Collier campus, 59 from Hendry Glades (Moorehaven and Clewiston centers included herein), and 88 from the Thomas Edison (Lee) campus. In both SLO 1 and SLO 2, the Thomas Edison (Lee) campus exhibits statistically significantly higher achievement at 74% and 76% compared with 39% and 36%, respectively (Figure 2). Significance testing completed utilizing a Fisher's exact test.

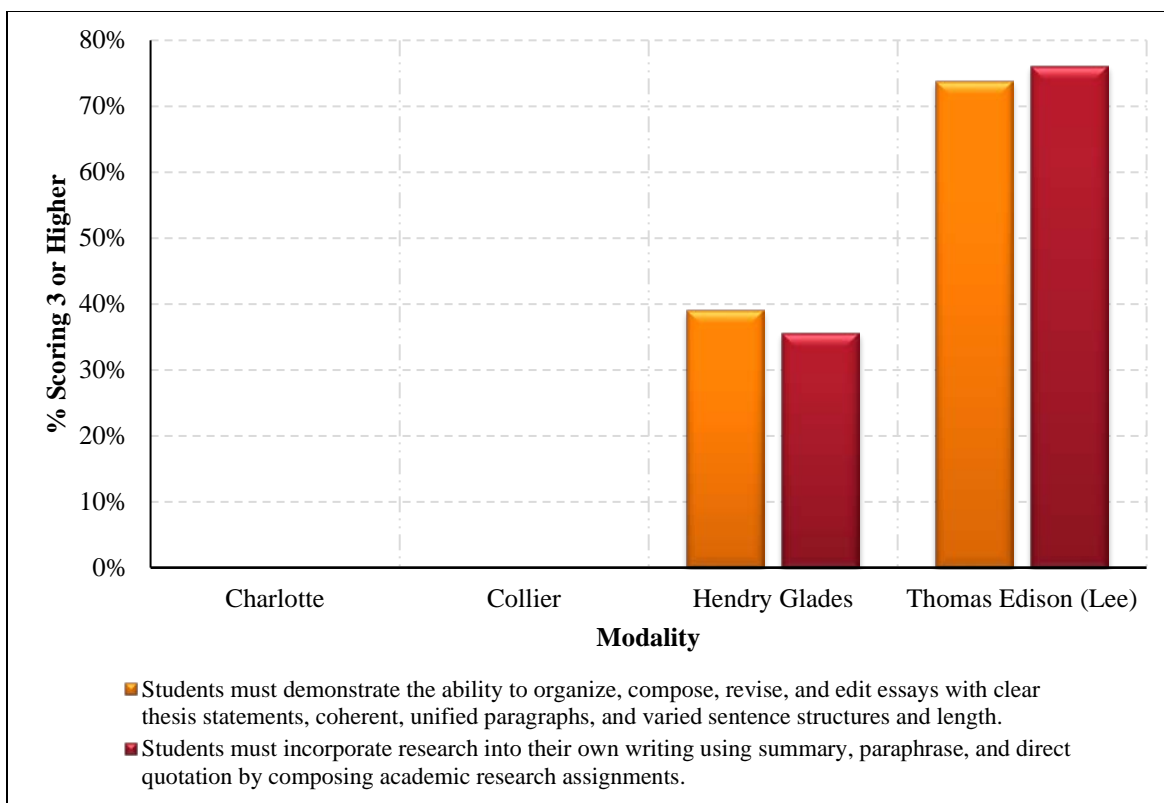


Figure 2. Achievement by modality.

4 ENC 1102

Beginning with the Spring 2019 term, the English Department developed an exit survey to study student perspectives upon completion of the ENC 1102 course. The questions posed in the survey are listed below and results of the survey are shown in Figure 3. Each survey response includes options of “Strongly Agree,” “Agree,” “Neither agree nor disagree,” “Disagree,” and “Strongly disagree.”

- ❖ Q1 - I think my ENC 1101 class (Composition I) prepared me well for ENC 1102.
- ❖ Q2 - I feel prepared to apply my knowledge of writing and research to other academic and non-academic situations in the future.
- ❖ Q3 - What I learned in ENC 1101 and 1102 will help me to write successfully in my major and in my profession.
- ❖ Q4 - I am comfortable conducting and documenting primary and secondary research.
- ❖ Q5 - After taking ENC 1101 and 1102, I am more comfortable with reading, writing, and researching in the media of the 21st century (digital, web-based, etc.).
- ❖ Q6 - I think the feedback I received on my written assignments was comprehensive and constructive. In other words, the feedback enabled me to take my writing skills to the next level.
- ❖ Q7 - I am comfortable reading and writing about, as well as discussing in class, complex and difficult issues, even if I disagree strongly with others.

- ❖ Q8 - I can encounter a view by someone with whom I disagree, but still take seriously and try to understand their perspective.
- ❖ Q9 - I understand how I can apply skills in argumentation and rhetoric to my other academic courses, in the workplace, and in my personal life.
- ❖ Q10 - I feel comfortable defining my position (argument/perspective) and supporting it in writing.
- ❖ Q11 - I understand how research, writing, and argumentation are necessary for problem-solving in college, the workplace, and the world.
- ❖ Q12 - Diversity of values and empathy with others are important for my success as a reader, writer, and researcher.
- ❖ Q13 - I am comfortable acknowledging different approaches or theories, and even changing my own mind when learning new information.
- ❖ Q14 - ENC 1101 and 1102 have expanded what I listen to, watch, and/or read by exposing me to new ideas and texts.
- ❖ Q15 - I am comfortable evaluating and sorting through information, including deciding if something or someone is credible or not.

All questions exhibit positive responses (“Strongly agree” or “Agree”) of 75% or higher. Question 12 exhibits the highest positive response rate at 96%. Question 14 exhibits the lowest positive response rate at 80%.

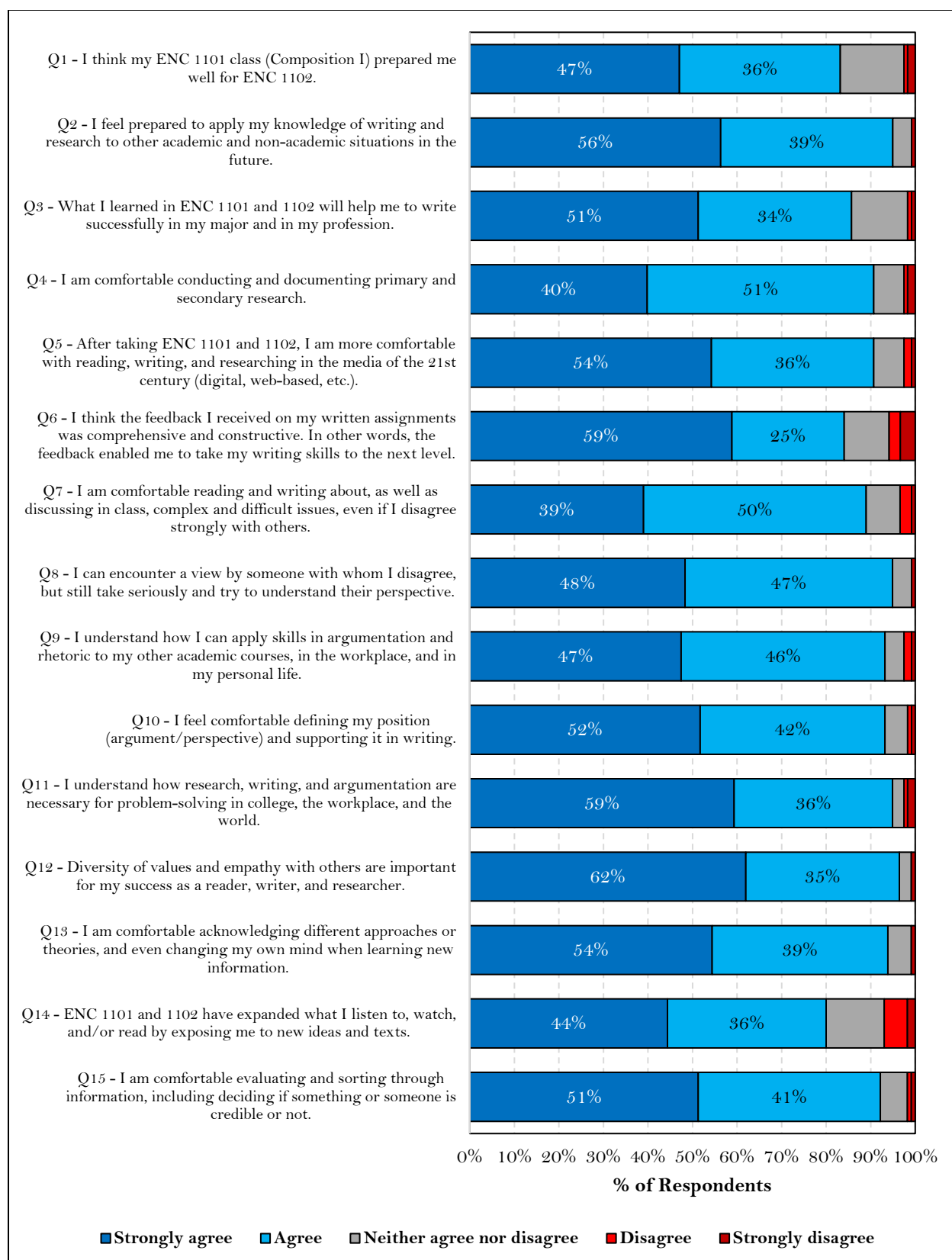


Figure 3. Results of ENC 1102 Exit Survey.

5 CONCLUSIONS

FSW's English Department assessment plan includes four courses: ENC 0022, ENC 1130, ENC 1101, and ENC 1102 (as an indirect measured assessment). Fall 2020 marks a reestablishment of earlier assessment logistical practices (assessment tool) combined with the new model initiated in fall 2019 (collecting data of co-requisite enrolled-ENC 1130 students and their performance in ENC 1101). For fall 2020, the assessment plan will include ENC 0022 until it is completely phased out and replaced by ENC 1130.

5.1 ENC 0022

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1. For the fall 2020 assessment, while three sections were run in the term, all recorded data through the Learning Management System (Canvas) and utilized shuffled questions/answers. As a result, no data could be reported.

5.2 ENC 1101 & ENC 1130

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