

**Western Michigan University  
Distribution Area IV Assessment**

WMU faculty who teach general education Distribution Area IV courses are requested to help with the assessment of the general education program by completing this form. The purpose of the form is to gather the faculty's judgment about student achievement of general education learning outcomes. This completed form should be sent directly by the faculty member to the Associate Provost for Assessment and Undergraduate Studies. This information **cannot** be used for any personnel or instructional decisions about faculty members, nor can it be used as an evaluation or rating of their teaching. Upon receipt by the Associate Provost for Assessment and Undergraduate Studies, the faculty member's name will be removed from the form. Faculty names will be entered only on a composite list to document faculty who did assist with this ongoing and cumulative assessment of general education.

**Name of Instructor (please print):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Faculty Appointment Type (circle one):** Tenured Faculty   Tenure-Track Faculty   Term Faculty   Part-Time Faculty/Adjunct  
Teaching/Graduate Assistant

**Department:** \_\_\_\_\_   **Course Prefix and Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Course Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Appropriate Semester (circle one):** Fall, Spring, Summer I, Summer II   **Academic Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Students:** \_\_\_\_\_

Use the table on the back of this form to assess your students' ability with regard to each of the Area IV learning outcomes based upon the provided definitions of 1 – 5. Please identify the type of tool used for the assessment (embedded test questions, pretest/post test evaluation, a writing assignment, etc.) in the space provided below each learning outcome. Keep in mind that the 1 – 5 distribution on this form may not reflect the grade distribution in your course. You undoubtedly have additional learning outcomes specific to your course, which will affect the actual grades students receive.

	Total # of Students in each Category				
	1	2	3	4	5
A. Students can explain the adaptive nature of culture.					
B. Students can explain the influence and contributions of at least one other culture and/or civilization.					
C. Students can describe the history, literature, arts, religion, ideas and institutions of at least one culture other than one's own.					
D. Students can compare, contrast and evaluate two or more different cultures, including one's own.					

**1** = Students with this ranking achieved an exceptional level of accomplishment for the learning outcome.

**2** = Students with this ranking achieved a high level of accomplishment for the learning outcome.

**3** = Students with this ranking achieved an acceptable level of accomplishment for the learning outcome.

**4** = Students with this ranking achieved a poor level of accomplishment for the learning outcome.

**5** = Students with this ranking failed to accomplish the learning outcome.