

Standardized Assessment Measures for the Ferris Learning Outcomes

1) Selected response exam[Examination]

DESCRIPTION: Questions, or a specific subset of questions, from a selected response quiz or exam are selected to measure student competence in the course materials. Question formats may include true/false, multiple-choice, matching, or multiple, multiple-choice. The raw student scores are recorded using the SCORE data workbook.

SCORING: The student scores are transformed into outcome rubric scores using the following scheme:

0) Deficient	0% ≤ score < 40% correct
1) Beginning	40% ≤ score < 55% correct
2) Progressing	55% ≤ score < 70% correct
3) Proficient	70% ≤ score < 85% correct
4) Advanced	85% ≤ score ≤ 100% correct

ANALYSIS: The number of student scores meeting or exceeding a threshold rubric score of 3.0 is determined for the assignment. The average and 95% confidence interval of the class rubric scores is calculated and classified as indicated in the following scheme:

0) Deficient	0.0 ≤ class average < 1.0
1) Beginning	1.0 ≤ class average < 1.8
2) Progressing	1.8 ≤ class average < 2.6
3) Proficient	2.6 ≤ class average < 3.4
4) Advanced	3.4 ≤ class average ≤ 4.0

A one factor, two-tailed t-test is used to evaluate the statistical significance of differences between class average and the threshold score of 2.6 points. Cohen's d is used to determine the magnitude of any effect sizes found.

CRITERION LEVELING: The expectations of the criteria of success depend upon the level of the course assessed. The target thresholds for each level are defined as follows:

100-level

50% of individuals should be proficient or better (3 on the rubric) by the end of instruction
The class average should fall within the progressing level (threshold ≥ 1.8)

200-level

60% of the individuals should be proficient or better (3 on the rubric) by the end of instruction
The class average should fall within the proficient level (threshold ≥ 2.6)

300-level

70% of individuals should be proficient or better (3 on the rubric) by the end of instruction
The class average should fall within the proficient level (threshold ≥ 2.6)

400-level

80% of individuals should be proficient or better (3 on the rubric) by the end of instruction
The class average should fall within the proficient level (threshold ≥ 2.6)