

## GER Assessment Pilot

### **Outline for GER pilot**

*Step 1:* Finding 10-20 participants for pilot. All participants must be scheduled to teach a GER course Fall 2003. We will seek at least one participant from each of the GER categories, also a variety of courses, including large and small courses and at least one GER course primarily for majors.

*Step 2:* Preparing and presenting workshop 1: Understanding and Applying GER Assessment

Outcomes for Workshop 1: Participants will:

- Understand GER assessment: rationale and procedure
- Understand the key terms of GER assessment.
- Be able to find GER objectives for category or categories to which their courses belong.
- Create course learning outcomes for the course(s) they will teach Fall 2003.
- Identify specific means of evaluating the course learning outcomes.

*Step 3:* Preparing and presenting workshop 2: New Requirements for Course Action Forms and Syllabi: GER Assessment Materials

Outcomes for Workshop 2: Participants will:

1. Understand changes in course action form and directions for attached syllabi related to GER assessment.
2. Revise course action forms and attached syllabi for pilot course(s)
3. Understand criteria to be applied to course action forms by departmental and college curriculum committees.
4. Understand what to expect of the pilot in Fall 2003: they will teach their GER course and assess it according to the assessment plan they have created, will meet periodically as a group to discuss how the course assessment is proceeding, and write a report of their assessment at the end of the semester.
5. Complete revision of course action documentation and syllabi and send them to workshop leaders (after the workshop and before the end of the semester).

*Step 4:* Meet with pilot participants during Fall 2003 as they are teaching their courses. Goal: to determine how the course is going and whether or not faculty are able to apply course learning outcomes and assessment instruments in their GER classes.

*Step 5:* Preparing and presenting workshop 3: Reporting GER Assessment.

Outcomes for workshop 3: Participants will:

1. Understand the purpose of GER assessment reports and how those reports will be used in the broader assessment of GERs.
2. Understand what should be included in a GER assessment report and the proper format for such reports.
3. Begin drafting GER assessment report for their pilot class.

*Step 6:* All GER assessment reports will be sent to the pilot organizers.