Crafton Hills College - Outcomes Assessment Report

Course: SPEECH - 125 **Term:** Spring 2012 **Date:** 10/31/2012

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1. Learning Outcomes Statement

- Students will demonstrate the ability to effectively evaluate arguments and ideas.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to locate, discern, organize and evaluate information.
- Students will demonstrate the ability to construct and organize coherent arguments.
- 2. Means of Assessment (Measurement Method)

E-Lumen Argument Building Assessment**

3. Criteria for Success (Benchmark)

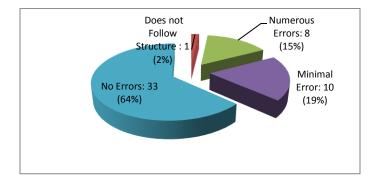
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4. Summary of Evidence

Assessed Effort - Structure (60%): NS 0 1 2 3 4 Total

Speech Communication

Course - SPEECH125 - Critical Thinking Through Argumentation and Debate Spring 2012 0 1 8 10 33 52

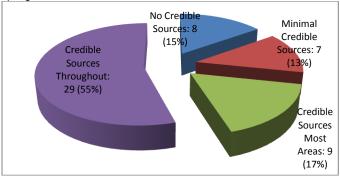


Assessed Effort - Quality of Information (20%): NS 0 1 2 3 4 Total

Speech Communication

Course - SPEECH125 - Critical Thinking Through Argumentation and Debate

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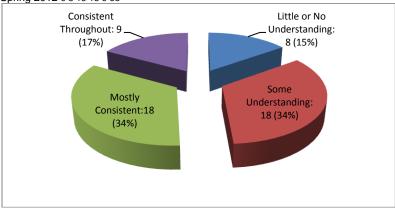


Assessed Effort - Reasoning (20%): NS 0 1 2 3 4 Total

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Course - SPEECH125 - Critical Thinking Through Argumentation and Debate

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5. Use of Results (Implications for Program Improvement & Planning)

In general, we were pleased with the results. The use of reasoning is very poor as students have a difficult time understanding warrants. The department is strong in structure and quality of information though needs some additional work/assignment in warrants. We discussed giving a handout with 10 arguments, 5 with proper use of warrants and 5 without proper use and let students figure out what makes a solid warrant in reasoning. This will happen prior to their argument assignment being due. This is to be implemented Spring 2013.