

**MGA – Academic Program
Assessment Plan and Curriculum Map**

On which campuses is the program offered? Cochran, Dublin, Eastman, Macon, Online, WRC College/School: Arts and Sciences Department: History and Political Science
 Academic Degree: Associate of Science Major: Political Science Track (if applicable): _____

Assessment Plan

How will a student know they are learning what they need to learn to be successful when they graduate?

Please identify which type of learning activity will be used to teach the learning goal. Also identify the learning objective associated with the learning goal being taught. A learning outcome is a description of the knowledge, skills and abilities you will gain as you complete your coursework.

	Learning Outcome	Assessment Types	Data Collection Points*	Target Performance
Learning Outcome 1	Identify and explain the key features of major U.S. political institutions (Congress, the presidency, and the judiciary) of the U.S. national government.	Performance on designated objective test items	POLS 1101 Final Exam	70% of students will exceed 70%
Learning Outcome 2	Identify and explain the processes linking citizens and the U.S. national government (elections, parties, and interest groups).	Performance on designated objective test items	POLS 1101 Final Exam	70% of students will exceed 70%
Learning Outcome 3	Identify the key features of the international system and approaches to studying international politics, and the differences between how various countries are governed around the world.	Student performance on designated essay rubric item	POLS 2301 or POLS 2401 Term Paper	70% of students will exceed 70%
Learning Outcome 4	Identify contemporary issues in domestic politics and their impact on national, state, and local governments.	Student performance on designated essay rubric item	POLS 2201 or POLS 2501 or POLS 2601 Term Paper	70% of students will exceed 70%

**Data collected for assessment purposes should be segmented by program location. Cochran, Macon, Dublin, Eastman, Warner Robins, or online students should be analyzed separately.*

Curriculum Map

Where in a student's academic program will they be taught the content of each learning outcome and how will the content be taught?

Please identify the method of instruction (i.e. case study, lecture, experiential instruction, team activity, writing assignment, quantitative exercise) used to teach the learning outcome in courses required in the major. Not all major courses need to teach all learning outcomes.

Major Course	POLS 1101	POLS 2301 and POLS 2401	POLS 2201, 2501, or 2601						
LO1	Lecture	n/a	n/a						
LO2	Lecture	n/a	n/a						
LO3	n/a	Case studies, lectures, and writing assignments	n/a	n/a					
LO4	n/a	n/a	n/a	Case studies, lectures, and writing assignments					