

Bachelor of Science with a major in Psychology, Cochran

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Academic Program Assessment by Location Report Information

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In which school is this program located?	Education and Behavioral Sciences
Program Type:	Undergraduate
Approximately how many students are enrolled in this program at this location?	30

Student Learning Outcomes

SLO1

7. SLO 1: What is the first Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to.....)	The SLO statement was "Students will identify appropriate research methodology and explain its limitations to answer psychological questions and choose the appropriate statistical analysis."
8. SLO 1: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	10 Exam Questions--8 multiple choice and 2 free response written response questions. PSYC majors who took PSYC 3002- Research Methods in Cochran in Fall 2020 were assessed.
9. SLO 1: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on....)	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3002- Research Methods on the Cochran campus will earn 70% or better on the assessment measure.
10. SLO 1: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	100
11. SLO 1: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome?	The SLO target/goal was met. Fall 2019 was the first time this class was offered on the Cochran campus. The SLO target has been met both years for which the SLO was assessed in Cochran. However, in Fall 2020, only 1 student took the assessment in class of only 4 students. This partly due to the COVID-19 pandemic which impacted face to face class sizes.

Student Learning Outcomes

SLO2

12. SLO 2: What is the second Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to.....)	The SLO statement was "Students will identify major mental disorders as presented in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual and choose appropriate treatment."
13. SLO 2: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	7 Multiple Choice Exam Questions were used to assess the SLO. PSYC majors who took PSYC 3265- Abnormal Psychology on the Cochran campus in Spring 2021 took the assessment.
14. SLO 2: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on.....).	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3265 on the Cochran in Spring 2021 will earn 70% or better on the assessment measure.
15. SLO 2: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	60
16. SLO 2: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome?	TBD

Student Learning Outcomes

SLO3

17. SLO 3: What is the third Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to.....)	The SLO statement was "Students will identify the functions of major structures of the brain and nervous system."
18. SLO 3: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	10 multiple choice questions were used to assess the SLO. PSYC majors who took PSYC 3401- Biopsychology- on the Cochran campus in Fall 2020 were assessed on the measure.
19. SLO 3: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on.....).	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3401- Biopsychology on the Cochran campus will earn 70% or better on the assessment measure.
20. SLO 3: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	67
21. SLO 3: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome?	The percentage of students who passed the assessment did not reach the SLO target goal. Only 9 students were assessed on this measure this year in Cochran (Fall 2020) in class section of only 9 students, so the poor results might be partly due to a very small and possibly nonrepresentative sample of students who took the class in person during the COVID-19 pandemic. The SLO target was just met (80%) on the Cochran campus in the prior year (Fall 2019). No new changes were made for 2020-2021, so we could establish a baseline of student success across the first few years that the full B.S. in PSYC program being available at the Cochran campus. We plan to review the assessment measure, course instruction materials, and reading assignments for the course this year (2021-2022). We will continue monitoring the results in 2021-2022 and consider if changes need to be made to course instruction materials and/or the assessment measure for future years.

Student Learning Outcomes

SLO4

22. SLO 4: What is the fourth Student Learning Outcome for this academic program? Student Learning Outcomes should be stated in measurable terms (i.e. students will be able to.....)	The SLO statement was "Students will synthesize concepts from cross-cultural research and theory in an integrative essay."
23. SLO 4: What instrument (assessment type) was used to measure student's ability to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. exam, assignment with rubric, speech, demonstration of ability, lab assignment)	Students in PSYC 3201- Cross-Cultural Psychology responded to a prompt that asked them to write an essay that synthesized particular information/concepts from Cross-cultural Psychology.
24. SLO 4: What target performance level would a student need to achieve on the assessment instrument to demonstrate mastery of this learning outcome? (i.e. 80% of all students will earn an average grade of 75% or better on.....)	80% of the PSYC majors taking PSYC 3201- Cross-Cultural Psychology- on the Cochran campus in Fall 2020 will earn 70% or better on their integrative essay response.
25. SLO 4: During this assessment cycle, what percent of the students who participated in this assessment demonstrated mastery of this learning outcome? (this should be a number between 0-100)	80
26. SLO 4: Evidence of changes based on an analysis of the results: What changes were implemented based on an analysis of the students' performance on this Student Learning Outcome?	The SLO target/goal was met. The percentage of students who were successful on the measure was similar to the prior (Fall 2019) and also met the target that year, indicating consistent meeting of the target over the first two years when the B.S. program has been offered on the Cochran campus. We will continue monitoring student success on the same SLO measure in Fall 2021- to establish a baseline of student success on the assessment across these first few years when the program has been available on the Cochran campus.

Sampling

27. How many students participated in the assessment of these learning outcomes, in this program, for this assessment cycle at this location?	25
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Open Box for Assessment Comments

28. In this field, please document the overall use of assessment results for continuous improvement and Open Text Box For Assessment Comments:	2 of the 4 SLO targets were met for 2020-2021. Since this was just the 2nd year for which the these upper-level PSYC courses were available at the Cochran campus and the PSYC faculty recently reviewed and revised the 4 SLO measures (during the 2018-2019 year), we plan to continue to monitor the results of the same assessment measures one more year (2021-2022) to establish a baseline of student success. The results this year could have been impacted by the quite small class sizes in these Cochran section during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and they may not be representative of students in a typical semester (i.e., before the pandemic). After next years results, we will consider if changes the instruction material, reading assignments, and/or assessment measures should be made.
29. If the COVID-19 pandemic impacted this assessment cycle, please provide specific details below.	The 4 classes on the Cochran campus that were assessed only had 4, 8, 9, and 12 students, respectively. These smaller class sizes may have impacted the results since the sample sizes were quite small and the small number of students who took Cochran classes may not be representative of our students in a typical semester (i.e., before the pandemic).