

**The University of Texas-Pan American
Student Learning Outcomes Assessment Report
AY 2005-2006 (Fall)
College: Social and Behavioral Sciences
Degree Program/Major: BA in Anthropology**

Expanded Statement of Institutional Purpose

Mission Statement: The University of Texas-Pan American (UTPA) serves the higher education needs of a rapidly growing, international, multicultural population in the South Texas Region. The University preserves, transmits and creates knowledge to serve the cultural, civic, and economic advancement of the region and the state. The University provides students advanced instruction in academic programs offered through innovative delivery systems that lead to professional certification, and baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degrees. Through teaching, research, creative activity and public service, UTPA prepares students for lifelong learning and leadership roles in the state, nation and world community.

Student Learning Outcomes	Means of Assessment	Criteria for Success	*Assessment Results* (Use actual data to describe annual performance.)	**Use of Results** (What change was made?)
Demonstrate the ability to use the tools of anthropology to think and write critically about topics dealing with humankind	(1) A capstone term paper completed while enrolled in ANTH 4345 Anthropological Method and Theory (2) a second assessment is being developed	(1) Minimum grade of "C" on paper (2) to be determined	(1) At end of fall 2005, 5 anthropology majors (100%) successfully completed capstone paper with "C" or higher Criterion met. (2) NA	(1) No changes made (2) No changes made
Develop a solid base of anthropological knowledge informed by key areas of inquiry including cultural anthropology, archaeology, human evolution, and folklore	(1) A capstone term paper completed while enrolled in ANTH 4345 Anthropological Method and Theory (2) a second assessment is being developed	(1) Minimum grade of "C" on paper (2) to be determined	(1) At end of fall 2005, 5 anthropology majors (100%) successfully completed capstone paper with "C" or higher Criterion met. (2) NA	(1) No changes made (2) No changes made
Develop a holistic understanding of individuals and cultures that reflects the multidimensionality of human experience	(1) A capstone term paper completed while enrolled in ANTH 4345 Anthropological Method and Theory (2) a second assessment is being developed	(1) Minimum grade of "C" on paper (2) to be determined	(1) At end of fall 2005, 5 anthropology majors (100%) successfully completed capstone paper with "C" or higher Criterion met. (2) NA	(1) No changes made (2) No changes made

Apply appropriate research methodologies to understand cultural phenomena	(1) A capstone term paper completed while enrolled in ANTH 4345 Anthropological Method and Theory (2) a second assessment is being developed	(1) Minimum grade of "C" on paper (2) to be determined	(1) At end of fall 2005, 5 anthropology majors (100%) successfully completed capstone paper with "C" or higher Criterion met. (2) NA	(1) No changes made (2) No changes made
Demonstrate the ability to apply anthropological concepts and knowledge	(1) A capstone term paper completed while enrolled in ANTH 4345 Anthropological Method and Theory (2) a second assessment is being developed	(1) Minimum grade of "C" on paper (2) to be determined	(1) At end of fall 2005, 5 anthropology majors (100%) successfully completed capstone paper with "C" or higher Criterion met. (2) NA	(1) No changes made (2) No changes made

*Comments: Indicate the semester/year data was collected. Describe the sample population (who and how many). Elaborate on whether the Criteria for Success were met or not.

**Comments: Elaborate on the changes that were made based on assessment results.