Annual Report on Program Learning Outcomes Assessment

Program: BA in French & Linguistics

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1. List the learning outcomes for the program:

Students graduating with a major in French & Linguistics are expected to attain:

- 1. An understanding of the fundamental questions that drive modern linguistic research concerning formal structure, universals, acquisition, historical change, variation, and social dimensions of use.
- 2. Foundational knowledge in the core areas of linguistic theory, including phonetics, syntax, and semantics.
- 3. The ability to identify and describe with precision the empirical patterns found in sets of language data, and to construct well-reasoned linguistic analyses by formulating, testing, and refining hypotheses about these patterns.
- 4. Linguistic mastery of some aspect of modern-day French (phonetics, phonology, or syntax, e.g.) or of the historical development of the language.
- 5. Proficiency in the French language at an advanced level, with respect to reading, writing, speaking, and understanding of spoken French.
- 6. Critical and analytical engagement with French/Francophone cultural and literary traditions, practices, genres, and great works.