

**Art History**  
**SLOAC Review Comments**

Thanks for filing an assessment plan with the SLOAC. We have the following comments for you to consider:

1. We know that you're still working on the rubric. Please let us know when we can review it to offer some suggestions. You're asking this instrument to provide a lot of information, so it should be designed carefully. It's not immediately clear exactly what will be measured by this instrument.
2. We thought it might be more clear to say in your last learning outcome that students will have a "rudimentary understanding of German."
3. We recommend against using grades as the basis for assessment. Could your students receive a good grade in their language courses but not learn the language very well? Could they receive a bad grade, but learn the language well? We would encourage you to consider different ways of assessing this outcome.
4. We think you mean you'll discuss these results biennially, right? Not biannually.

We don't need anything more from you this year. Just be sure to start gathering data. Your first report will be due October 31, 2007. We should discuss your status as an accredited program and what they may mean for assessment reporting.

If you have questions at any time, please contact Tim Borchers at [borchers@mnstate.edu](mailto:borchers@mnstate.edu).

Thanks!