Assessment Plan

2016 - 2017

Program (GFES/CCS) - Certificate in Spiritual Formation and Discipleship

University Mission: George Fox University, a Christ-centered community, prepares students spiritually, academically, and professionally to think with clarity, act with integrity, and serve with passion.
Program Mission: George Fox Evangelical Seminary is a multi-denominational, evangelical, university-based seminary committed to equipping women and men academically, spiritually, emotionally, and theologically for ministry in the church and world.
Alignment of Program Mission to GFU Mission: Seminary programs support primarily the university's core themes of 'Excellence in Professional Preparation' and 'Christ-Centered Community.'
Assessment Coordinator: Laura Simmons

Outcome: Personal and Spiritual Formation (objective from ATS masters program standards)

ATS Standard B.2.4 Personal and spiritual formation: The program shall provide opportunities through which the student may grow in personal faith, emotional maturity, moral integrity (including personal, professional, and ethical standards), and public witness.

Objective Status: Active
Objective Type: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - SFAD 591 summative project "Reflect" and "Act" papers (Active)
Target: 80% of students will score 90% or above on both papers **Schedule for Data Collection:** Fall for local, spring for online sections **Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting:** spring for local, summer for online sections

Related Courses

SFAD 591 - Spiritual Leadership

Related Goals

Core Themes	
Core Theme 2.3	**-** GFU students demonstrate an ethical orientation, shaped by Christian values, in their professional practice
Core Theme 2.4	**-** Program Excellence: GFU programs achieve state and national accreditation or certification, where appropriate
Core Theme 2.5	**-** Faculty Excellence: Faculty will demonstrate excellence in preparation, practice, and teaching
Core Theme 3.4	**-** All students, faculty, staff, and administrators experience a caring community that is rooted in the grace and truth of God revealed in Jesus Christ

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Outcome: Cultural Context (objective from ATS Masters standards)

ATS Standard B.2.3 Cultural context: The program shall provide instructional settings and opportunities for students to gain understanding of the context of the specialization in the broader range of ministerial practice and the purposes of the church and to develop appropriate understandings of the broader social context in which the specialized ministry is performed, including diverse cultural, religious, and linguistic contexts of ministry.

Objective Status: Active

Objective Type: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - MLDR 570 Research Project (Active)

Target: 90% of students score 80%+ on assignment
Schedule for Data Collection: Spring annually
Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: summer annually

Related Courses

MLDR 570 - Christian Min Reconciliation

Related Goals

Core Themes

Core Theme 4.2 - GFU students, faculty, staff & administrators demonstrate engagement in improving the human condition by serving people both locally and globally

Core Theme 4.3 - GFU students interact with people from diverse cultures both locally and globally

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Outcome: Religious Heritage (from ATS Masters program standards)

ATS Standard B.2.2 Religious heritage: The program shall provide instruction in the religious heritage,including Scripture, theology, and history of the tradition.

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Assessment Tools

Writing Assignment - CHTH 562 integrative papers (Active)

Target: 90% of students will score 80% or better on the integrative paper.
Schedule for Data Collection: End of summer term annually
Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting: Fall term annually

Related Courses

CHTH 562 - History Spirituality Renewal

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Related Goals

Core Themes
Core Theme 3.2 **-** GFU students, faculty, staff and administrators demonstrate how Christian faith influences their learning and vocation
Core Theme 3.4 **-** All students, faculty, staff, and administrators experience a caring community that is rooted in the grace and truth of God revealed in Jesus Christ

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Outcome: Specialization (from ATS Masters Standards)

ATS Standard B.2.5 Specialization: The program shall provide structured opportunities for students to gain understanding and skill in practice related to the areas of specialization, to acquire the capacity to design and maintain effective practices and programs in the areas of the specialty, and to develop skill in assessing the efforts and contributions of the specialized ministry.

Objective Status: Active
Objective Type: Association of Theological Schools

Assessment Tools

Capstone Assignment - Art of Spiritual Direction final capstone paper (Active)
Target: All students score 90+% on this assignment. **Schedule for Data Collection:** End of fall term annually **Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting:** Spring term annually

Writing Assignment - SFAD 533 Personal Study Proposal/Process/Product areas (Active)
Target: All students score B or above **Schedule for Data Collection:** End of spring term annually **Schedule for Data Analysis & Reporting:** Summer term annually

Related Courses

SFAD 571 - Art Of Spiritual Direction

Related Goals

Core Themes
Core Theme 2.2 **-** GFU students apply professional competence by successfully obtaining entrance to graduate school, additional preparation, and/or successful employment in the field

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