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Political Science Cover Sheet

Students participating in the 1818 ACC Program through enrollment in Political Science courses are assessed using the same methods (e.g., papers, portfolios, quizzes, labs, etc.) as students on campus. Because of the high value Saint Louis University and the College of Arts & Sciences place on individual departmental and faculty autonomy, rarely are any two syllabi identical, even among campus professors or instructors.

The Political Science Department allows considerable latitude among both on-campus and high school instructors regarding the number and types of assessments used. Whether instructors utilize papers, presentations, or final exams (either essay or multiple choice tests) for student course assessment, the critical piece to the Political Science Department is student performance on the annual assessment theme (e.g. theoretical explanation or argument, critical analysis, historical context, political participation, etc.). The assessment theme changes focus annually; the theme is communicated to 1818 ACC high school adjuncts at Summer Pre-Service training.