Department Assessment Analysis  
(DAA form)

“Capturing the meaning of the assessment for the program.”

Program/Degree/Certificate: History Department  (Spring 2015)

What does the department think it can do to improve teaching and learning?
- Share assessment strategies between instructors
- Strengthen opportunities for contact between ft/pt instructors
- Build strategies to strengthen student understanding of the expectations for assessments
- Continue discussions of student learning
- Increase opportunities for individual members of the department to participate in professional development
- Develop pre/post assessments to strengthen instructor understanding of students’ learning
- Develop strategies to address needs of underprepared students within our classes

What resources are needed from the college to improve teaching and learning?
- Help: Opportunities to learn how to effectively use Canvas
- Help: Opportunities to increase uses of other technologies in the classroom.
- Help: Improved student access to academic counseling
- Resources: support for additional work associated with assessment expectations and online teaching
- Resources: additional full-time faculty
- Resources: dedicated office for part-time history faculty located near current full-time faculty offices
- Resources: restoration of travel funds for faculty

What are top priorities for improvement?
- Share assessment strategies between instructors
- Increase opportunities for individual members of the department to interact and participate in professional development

How will the department implement those priorities?
- Assessment – utilize departmental meetings
- Professional Development – once-a-semester brown bag to discuss current monographs around a theme identified through email
- Communication/Professional Development – better utilize History Department Canvas shell

Timeline:
- Assessment – built into current planning meetings
- Professional Development – email during flex week – meet during Weeks 12-14
- Communication/Professional Development – request Canvas shell during Flex Week, use during semester.