

# Bacc Core Category Student Learning Outcomes assessment description on syllabus

The following syllabus excerpts offer examples of different methods used to align Bacc Core student learning outcomes with course assessments.

## **Difference, Power, and Discrimination**

How The Learning Outcomes Are Assessed:

- Students will explain how difference is socially constructed through:
  - Evaluating the representation of difference in contemporary films in class discussion forums
  - Assessing a diversity of films through the lens of critical theories, including but not limited to film theory, (post)feminist theory, psychoanalytic theory, and more)
  - Synthesizing insights in written work (reports, homework, essays)

## **Cultural Diversity**

*1. Identify and analyze characteristics of a cultural tradition outside of European/American culture.*

- Students will engage with this learning outcome through a midterm exam/map quiz. On this exercise, students will identify key cultural areas/places and write essay responses analyzing cultures represented in the reading for the first half of the class as well as questions on life and culture in the identified regions.

## **Western Culture**

*Weekly Reading Engagement – 48 points total; 6 points a week or 16% of your total grade.* Complete the week’s readings, fill out the reading review, bring it to class and participate in Wednesday’s discussions of the material. The best 8 out of 10 will count towards your final grade.

Learning objectives fulfilled: **Identify significant events, developments, and/or ideas in the Western cultural experience and context; Interpret the influence of philosophical, historical, and/or artistic phenomena in relation to contemporary Western culture.**

## **Literature and the Arts**

Category and Outcomes	Relative to Course Content	Primary Assessment
Reflect critically on the characteristics and effects of literary and artistic works	Close read specific passages in short stories and the novel; focus on unfolding the implicit meaning in these works; learn about the elements of fiction	Reading responses, group discussion project, essay, midterm and final exams. Including specific questions such as: