

## History Department Outcomes Assessment: Departmental Meeting

The History Department met on May 13 2010 to discuss the Outcomes Assessment for the AY 09-10. It considered the Senior Thesis presentations, Senior Thesis papers, and the Exit Statements of graduating students. The department agreed that students were picking up the philosophical knowledge that it set as a key goal for program outcomes, but that students needed more work on writing, citation, and methods.

Based on the discussion of the Outcomes Assessment data, the department determined to:

- \* continue the current Outcomes Assessment process
- \* increase efforts to convince majors to take Hist 275 as soon as possible through our advising of incoming and current students
- \* offer Hist 275 in both the fall and spring semesters
- \* encourage all History faculty and adjuncts to place more emphasis on writing mechanics in their courses