



Results 2012 (n=84)										
Objective	Meets	Meets Does not meet								
Correct usage of standard English	Adequate	92%	Inadequate	8%						
Use of acceptable essay form including organizational skills	Acceptable	89%	Unacceptable	11%						
Use of critical thinking skills to support thesis	Uses	89%	Lacks application	11%						

Fall 2012 Writing Assessments within Majors										
		Objectives								
		Usage of Standard English		Acceptable Essay Form		Critical Thinking				
Course	n	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No			
AG 2113	13	9	5	12	1	12	1			
BUS AD 2123	14	11	3	11	3	12	2			
HUMAN 2113	13	10	3	8	5	7	6			
NURS 2118	26	24	2	23	3	26	0			
BIOL 2115, BIOL 2103	16	12	4	15	1	16	0			
PSY 2103	26	22	4	19	7	18	8			
Total	108	88 81%	20	88 81%	20	91 84%	17			

#### **Comments from reviewers**



"As you can see, this exam will count for a large part of your grade."

### Group discussion

- Need a generic rubric that will be used across the curriculum
- Modify existing rubric or one of several in packet



"So inductive reasoning is like when someone unfriends you on Facebook, but you know it's because his girlfriend's jealous, and it really means he wants to hook up. Or is that deductive reasoning?"

#### Next steps

- ENGL 1213 (all sections) → 100 essays randomly selected
- Grading committee → representative from each division
- Training on rubric
- Each essay will be graded by 2 reviewers
- Writing within majors evaluated Fall 2013





"Professor Smith learns the difference between wet and dry erase."

#### Oral communication

 Communication: Students will employ effective written, oral and electronic communication skills in order to convey clear and organized information to target audiences

# What do we want our students to be able to do?

#### SPCH 1113 evaluation instrument

#### Generic rubric(s) for oral presentations



"Kinesthetic is a learning style. Auditory and visual are learning styles. Cheating is not a learning style."

### **Courses within majors**

- Oral presentations?
- Identify one course in each division to pilot this spring
- Training on rubric
- Report results

## Assessment website

#### Brown bags

Intro to rubrics—Feb (\$100 Amazon gift card)

Rubrics in Blackboard—Mar

• Blackboard grade book—April

