WAYNE STATE
Office of the Provost

General Education Program Assessment
Gen Ed Designation: Social Inquiry (SI)
Institutional Report
Fall 2019-Winter 2020

Purpose and Process
To ensure that students are obtaining the intended outcomes of the General Education program, the General Education Oversight Committee (GEOC) has established an assessment plan for the program. Each year, instructors teaching courses in a subset of Gen Ed designations are responsible for choosing at least one assignment from their course, scoring it using the relevant Gen Ed rubric(s) for the course's designation(s), and submitting those scores to the GEOC. The designations scheduled for assessment in 2019-2020 were Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI), Quantitative Experience (QE), and Social Inquiry (SI). Once scores are submitted, the Office of Institutional Research and Analysis analyzes and disseminates the results according to GEOC guidelines.

This report presents aggregated data from all Social Inquiry (SI) courses offered from Fall 2019-Winter 2020 in two formats: table and graph. The SI rubric, which defines the performance levels, and more information about Gen Ed assessment are online at https://provost.wayne.edu/gen-ed-assessment. Note that accreditation of the university depends in part on our ability to demonstrate student learning for the Gen Ed learning outcomes.

Please note that the Covid-19 pandemic forced a sudden move to remote teaching and learning in Winter 2020. Results should therefore be interpreted with that context in mind.

How GEOC can use this information
GEOC can use assessment data to understand how well the Gen Ed program is helping students gain the knowledge and skills the program intends to provide. Based on that understanding, GEOC might choose a variety of actions, such as celebrating successes, strategizing ways to better support instructors, improving the program's design, or arguing for resources to enhance the program. Colleges/schools, departments/programs, and instructors are also encouraged to use the assessment results to strengthen the Gen Ed program.

Resources for training and assessment for the Gen Ed program are available on the GEOC website at https://provost.wayne.edu/gen-ed-assessment.
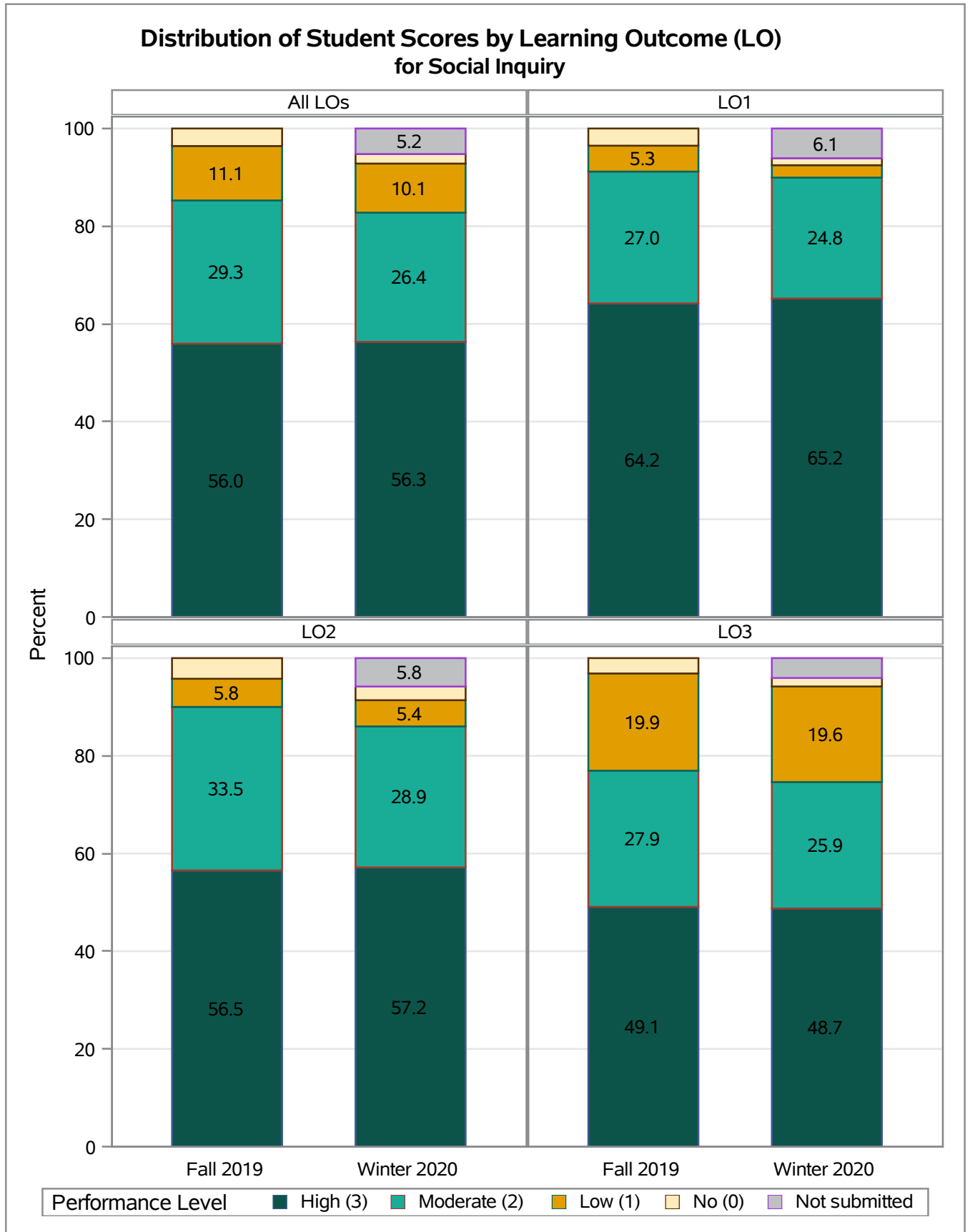
For a list of courses included in this report, please see the appendix.

Table 1 provides a summary of assessment results for each learning outcome by performance level. The table includes the number of scores (N) submitted, the average score (mean [Mn]), standard deviation of scores from the mean (SD) and the percentage of students achieving each performance level for each learning outcome individually and a grand total for the Gen Ed designation.

Table 1.

Learning Outcome Area	N	Mn	SD	Percent of Responses by Performance Level				
				High (3)	Moderate (2)	Low (1)	No (0)	Not submitted
				%	%	%	%	%
LO1: Describe the behaviors, practices, institutions, and/or systems that define a society or social group	3,039	2.6	0.7	64.5	26.3	4.5	2.9	1.8
LO2: Identify and define basic concepts in social analysis	3,027	2.4	0.8	56.7	32.1	5.6	3.8	1.7
LO3: Analyze social institutions and social interactions	3,893	2.2	0.9	49.0	27.3	19.8	2.7	1.2
All	**9,959**	**2.4**	**0.8**	**56.1**	**28.5**	**10.8**	**3.1**	**1.5**

A visual representation of the data reported in Table 1 is presented below.

Distribution of Student Scores by Learning Outcome (LO) for Social Inquiry

List of Courses for Fall 2019-Winter 2020 Assessment Cycle
Learning Outcome:SI

College	Department	Course ID	# Sections	# Assessed Students	# Enrolled Students
14	HON	HON1000	18	395	408
14	HON	HON2000	8	156	157
ED	KIN	KHS1000	2	105	111
ED	KIN	SAM2020	1	29	29
FA	COMM	COM1700	1	31	34
LS	AAS	AFS3360 / HIS3360	1	10	12
LS	ANT	ANT1100	4	172	174
LS	ANT	ANT3200	1	40	41
LS	CMLL	ASN1700 / HIS1700	1	26	26
LS	CRJ	CRJ1010	6	299	300
LS	ECO	ECO2010	1	38	38
LS	USP	GPH2000 / GPH2000 / HIS2000 / PS2000 / PS2000 / US2000 / US2	1	27	29
LS	USP	GPH2000 / HIS2000 / PS2000 / US2000	1	39	40
LS	WSP	GSW2700	1	38	40
LS	HIS	HIS1000	3	105	108
LS	HIS	HIS1050	3	84	108
LS	HIS	HIS1300	8	258	286
LS	HIS	HIS1400	1	1	37
LS	HIS	HIS1610	1	24	28
LS	HIS	HIS1900 / LAS1900	1	19	19
LS	HIS	HIS1995	1	25	28
LS	HIS	HIS2040	2	66	68
LS	HIS	HIS2050	4	124	149
LS	INU	LAS3610	1	21	25
LS	P H	PH3100	1	31	32
LS	P S	PS1010	4	543	547
LS	P S	PS2240	1	29	30
LS	SOC	SOC1010	1	53	53
LS	SOC	SOC1010 / SOC1010	1	163	346
LS	SOC	SOC1020	1	58	60
LS	SOC	SOC2203	1	62	71
NU	INSN	NUR3200	1	7	6
Total			83	3078	3440