Academic year 2024-2025

BFA in Graphic Design - BFA-ARTG Learning Outcomes

Demonstrate the ability to Create Design Works MET

Upon completing the program, students will produce a senior thesis capstone project that consists of a body of work and a written paper describing it that they also defend orally. For Outcome 1, students will demonstrate the ability to produce a series of original design concepts in their medium/s of specialization (whether traditional, digital, or a combination of media) that is original; that demonstrates the application of the principles of design and color, exhibits the investigation of subject matter, materials, and content; and reflects the high quality and rigor of education in the program.

#### **MEASURES RESULTS ACTIONS** MFT Other - [Area in Transition] Senior Thesis Capstone Project Senior Thesis Capstone Project IN PROGRESS ■ Exceeded Met Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Method: Outcome 1: This outcome is assessed primarily as part of Although we exceeded our target, we remain the students' senior thesis capstone project in cautious in interpreting this result, as our conjunction with ARTS 4399, Senior Thesis & department has experienced ongoing Exhibition. The method is that two faculty turnover in the graphic design area and has form the thesis committee and independently 100% been actively conducting searches to fill two assess the students' graphic design work for Values are not shown when too close to each other. faculty positions for the past few years. We the capstone using the following rubric Click or use arrow keys to see details. are again in the process of hiring graphic (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), design professors in efforts to ensure Above Average (3), Average (2), Below 80% pedagogical methods align with department Exceeded: Average (1), Unacceptable (0). 20% goals for student success. In keeping with Met: these efforts and the idea that incoming Plan: Met Total: 100% faculty also need guidance, we plan to Students work directly with their Thesis augment the course maps we created this Committee and are required to have regular Not Met Total: year with a newly formed graphic design meetings with committee to show works-inoversight committee for key graphic design progress to develop a fully resolved body of **Analysis** courses (Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio work by the end of the semester. Development) by reforming the committee Direct - Assignment with incoming faculty. Our goal will be to Results for Outcome 1. Measure 1. Senior promote consistency in achieving course Thesis, Designing Works Component: Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399 learning outcomes but during the 2025-2026 We have exceeded our expectations in academic year we will also evaluate whether Target this Outcome with 100% or 10 of 10 students completing the senior theses more time should be allocated for the acclimation of new faculty before determining assessment for the Designing Works 75% of students completing the senior theses whether the high performance this year Component scoring an average of 3 or class ARTS4399 and the senior capstone warrants adjustment of outcome measures or above. The aggregate average score for assessment for creating design works will do targets. [Prince Thomas, SACS rep and this measure is 3.8 with all students so with above average work (scoring an scoring at 3 or above. Stephanie Chadwick, department chair] average of 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4) Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026 that exhibits competent technical achievement and originality while pursuing a consistent thesis investigation in terms of subject matter, materials, and content. SACS2024-2025BFAGraphicDesign.pdf SACS Assessment Rubric-BFA Studio-ART43 99 ThesisEvaluation.docx

# **Student Self Evaluation Survey**

# Method:

The method is that in addition to the senior thesis measure, each graduating senior completing a senior thesis project also independently evaluates their ability to produce graphic design work as a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

# MET Student Self Evaluation Survey ■ Exceeded ■ Met 0% 100%

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Exceeded: 80%

# Other - [Area in Transition] Not Started

Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Outcome 1:

Consistent with our action plan based on the senior thesis assessment, although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors in efforts to ensure pedagogical methods align with

# Plan:

Students work directly with their Thesis Committee and are required to have regular meetings with committee to show works-inprogress to develop a fully resolved body of work by the end of the semester.

Indirect - Survey

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

#### Target

75% of students completing the selfevaluation survey will rate their learned competency in technical achievement and originality in creating design works with a score of 3 or above( on our rubric of 1-4).

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Met Total: 100%

Not Met Total:

**Analysis** 

Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Outcome 1. Measure 2. Student Self-evaluation Survey:

Although 100% or 10 of the 10 students completing the self-evaluation survey rated their learned competency for designing works with a score of 3 or above, the faculty evaluations reported for Measure 1 will direct our improvement plan. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.8 with all students scoring at 3 or above.

department goals for student success. In keeping with these efforts and the idea that incoming faculty also need guidance, we plan to augment the course maps we created this year with a newly formed graphic design oversight committee for key graphic design courses (Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development) by reforming the committee with incoming faculty. Our goal will be to promote consistency but we will also consider whether or not more time should be allocated for new faculty acclimation before determining if outcome targets should be adjusted. [Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026

#### Conclusion

We are thrilled to report that students exceeded expectations in this Outcome for both Measure 1 & Measure 2 with 90% of Students meeting or exceeding expectations.

Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are once in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. In keeping with these goals and with the idea that incoming faculty also need guidance, we plan to augment the course maps we created this year with the newly formed graphic design oversight committee to for key graphic design courses (Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development) by reforming the committee to include incoming faculty. Our goal will be to promote consistency in achieving learning outcomes. During the 2025-2026 academic year we will also evaluate whether targets should be raised or measures adjusted, or whether more time should be allocated to establishing new faculty and achieving consistency of results before making updates.

[Prince Thomas, SACS representative with additions by Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

# Demonstrate the Ability to Formally Analyze Art & Design Works MET

Upon completing the program, students will produce a senior thesis capstone project that consists of a body of work and a written paper describing it that they also defend orally. For Outcome 2, students will demonstrate the ability to analyze the work of art or design formally and contextualize the work in an art theoretical and an art and design historical context. Achieving this outcome demonstrates higher-order critical thinking and engagement with art in keeping with Department and Professional Standards.

#### MEASURES RESULTS ACTIONS MFT Other - [Area in Transition] Senior Thesis Capstone Project Senior Thesis Capstone Project IN PROGRESS ■ Exceeded ■ Met ■ Approached Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our This outcome is assessed primarily as part of department has experienced ongoing the students' senior thesis capstone project in turnover in the graphic design area and has conjunction with ARTS 4399, Senior Thesis & been actively conducting searches to fill two Exhibition. The method is that two faculty faculty positions for the past few years. We form the thesis committee and independently 100% are once again in the process of hiring due to assess the students' ability to analyze form in Exceeded: 60% the recent resignations of current graphic their artistic and written work for the related 20% design professors. Given this uncertainty, it is paper using the following rubric (detailed unclear how incoming faculty will impact rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average Approached: 20% future outcomes. Once staffing stabilizes, we (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), plan to establish a graphic design oversight Unacceptable (0) 80% Met Total: committee to promote consistency in Not Met Total: 20% achieving course learning outcomes. As such, Plan:

Our plan for strengthening skills for this outcome generally is to more clearly explain that most of our graphic design assignments include formal analysis portions and to emphasize that such assignments in graphic design and required art studio and art history classes (including art critiques, discussions, and written work) are developing formal analysis skills students can apply to their work in general and to their senior thesis capstone project, which serves as our primary SACS program-level assessment.

Direct - Assignment

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

#### Target

75% of students completing the senior theses assessment will do so with above average work (scoring an average of 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4) that exhibits competent achievement by successfully citing art historical precedents and aesthetic or theoretical terms in the body of work presented.

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# **Analysis**

# Analysis of Outcome 2. Measure 1. Senior Thesis, Formal Analysis Component:

90% or 9 of 10 students assesed in the senior theses assessment achieved a 3 or above. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.325 with all students scoring at 3 or above. Last year, our plan to strengthen this outcome focused on explicitly communicating that most graphic design assignments include formal analysis components. We emphasized that these assignments, along with activities in required art studio and art history courses, such as critiques, discussions, and written work helps students develop formal analysis skills applicable to their overall practice and their senior thesis capstone project, which serves as our primary SACS programlevel assessment. This approach appears to have been effective.

this result may fluctuate with new faculty additions, and time will be needed to determine whether this high performance is sustainable.

Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026

# Senior Self Evaluation Survey

## Method:

The method is that in addition to the senior thesis measure, each graduating senior completing a senior thesis project also independently evaluates their ability to analyze form as a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

# Plan:

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Indirect - Survey

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

# Target

75% of students completing the selfevaluation will rate their learned abilities for this outcome as 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4).

#### MFT

Senior Self Evaluation Survey





# Analysis

# Analysis of Outcome 2. Measure 2. Student Self-evaluation Survey:

Although 90% or 9 of 10 students completing the self-evaluation survey rated their abilities in formal analysis as a 3 or above, the faculty evaluations reported for Measure 1 will direct our improvement plan. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.4 with all students scoring at 3 or above.

# Other - [Area in Transition]

# Not Started

As indicated in the senior thesis measure, although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned in Outcome 1, we plan to build upon the work done this year with a newly formed graphic design oversight committee that created course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. The purpose will be to establish promote consistency in achieving course learning outcomes and to consider whether measures or targets should be adjusted. [Stephanie Chadwick, Department Chairl

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## Conclusion

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# Demonstrate the Ability to Discuss Art and Graphic Design MET

Upon completing the program, students will produce a senior thesis capstone project that consists of a body of work and a written paper describing it that they also defend orally. For Outcome 3, students will demonstrate the ability to articulate and defend their ideas about works of art and design orally, demonstrating their oral communication skills in a manner consistent with and the department's high standards and rigorous quality of education.

# Senior Thesis Capstone Project

# Method:

**MEASURES** 

This outcome is assessed primarily as part of the students' senior thesis capstone project in conjunction with ARTS 4399, Senior Thesis & Exhibition. The method is that two faculty form the thesis committee and independently assess the students' oral presentation of their work in a public thesis defense using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Unacceptable 0.

# Plan

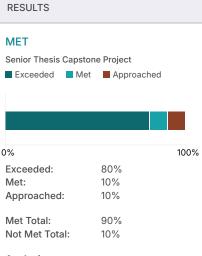
This will consist of increasing focus on discussing art in all classes (for example, in art courses, studio critiques, and art history discussions) for students needing to develop speaking skills.

Direct - Assignment

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

# Target

75% of students completing the senior theses assessment will do so with an above average oral defense (scoring an average of 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4), in which they logically, clearly, and effectively verbally describe the formal, conceptual, and theoretical aspects of their thesis projects and answer related questions from faculty and attendees. NOTE: Previously raised from 75% to 78% and we believe that was too



# Analysis

Analysis of Outcome 3. Measure 1. **Discussing Art & Design Component:** With 90% or 9 of 10 students completing the senior theses assessment for the Discussing Art & Design Component scoring an average of 3 or above, results indicate that we have exceeded our target. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.575 with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or above. Last year's Improvement plan to hire a second graphic designer effective Fall 2024 seems to have helped increase scores. Additionally, last year's plan of increasing focus on discussing art in all classes (for example, in graphic design and studio critiques and art history discussions)

# ACTIONS

## Other - [Area in Transition]

# IN PROGRESS

Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned for other outcomes, we plan to build upon the work done this year with a newly formed graphic design oversight committee that created course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. The purpose will be to establish promote consistency in achieving course learning outcomes and to consider whether measures or targets should be adjusted. [Stephanie Chadwick, Department Chair

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soon. We are returning to 75% for this year to monitor progress.

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seems to have helped too. Unfortunately, we are now searching for new faculty due to resignations in this area.

# **Senior Self Evaluation Survey**

#### Method:

The method is that in addition to the senior thesis measure, each graduating senior completing a senior thesis project also independently evaluates their ability to orally analyze and present their work in a public forum as a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

# Plan:

This will consist of increasing focus on discussing art in all classes (for example, in art courses, studio critiques, and art history discussions) for students needing to develop speaking skills.

Indirect - Survey

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

# Target

75% of students completing the selfevaluation will rate their learned abilities for this outcome as 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4).

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# MET

Senior Self Evaluation Survey





# **Analysis**

# Outcome 3. Measure 2. Student Selfevaluation Survey:

Although 90% or 9 of 10 students completing the self-evaluation survey rated their learned competency for discussing works with a score of 3 or above, the faculty evaluations reported for Measure 1 will direct our improvement plan as outlined for Measure 1. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.5 with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or above.

# Other - [Area in Transition]

## Not Started

Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned in Outcome 1, we plan to build upon the work done this year with a newly formed graphic design oversight committee that created course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. The purpose will be to establish promote consistency in achieving course learning outcomes and to consider whether measures or targets should be adjusted.

Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026

# Conclusion

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Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are once again in the process of hiring due to the recent resignations of current graphic design professors. Given this uncertainty, it is unclear how incoming faculty will impact future outcomes. Once staffing stabilizes, we plan to establish a graphic design oversight committee to promote consistency in achieving course learning outcomes. As such, this result may fluctuate with new faculty additions, and time will be needed to determine whether this high performance is sustainable.

# Demonstrate the Ability to Write About Art and Design MET

Upon completing the program, students will produce a senior thesis capstone project that consists of a body of work and a written paper describing it that they also defend orally. For Outcome 4, students will demonstrate the ability to articulate and defend their ideas about their and design works in writing, applying written communication skills in keeping with Department and Professional Standards.

MEASURES	RESULTS	ACTIONS
Senior Thesis Capstone Project	MET Senior Thesis Capstone Project	Other - [Area in Transition] IN PROGRESS
Method:		

is that each graduating senior completing a thesis independently evaluates their ability to discuss works of art and design a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

#### Plan:

The plan will consist of increasing focus on learning the processes of writing about art in scaffolded writing assignments in our senior thesis class and in art history classes.

Direct - Assignment

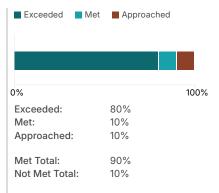
Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

### Target

75% of students completing the senior theses assessment will do so with an above average oral defense (scoring an average of 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4), in which they logically, clearly, and effectively describe the formal, conceptual, and theoretical aspects of their thesis projects and answer related questions from faculty and attendees.

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# **Analysis**

# Analysis of Outcome 4. Measure 1. Writing About Art and Design Component:

With 90% or 9 of 10 students assed in the senior theses assessment achieving a 3 or above, results indicate that we have exceeded our target by addressing consistency in applying terminology in teaching formal analysis. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.6 with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or above.

Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Outcome 4. Measure 1. Writing About Art and Design Component:

Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned for other outcomes, we plan to build upon progress made this year with our newly formed graphic design oversight committee to create course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. Our goal will be to establish consistency but we will also evaluate during the 2025-2026 year whether outcomes targets should be raised or measures adjusted or whether more time should be allocated for establishing consistent successes. [Prince Thomas, SACS representative with additions by Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026

# Senior Thesis Self Evaluation Survey

## Method:

The method is that in addition to the senior thesis measure, each graduating senior completing a senior thesis project also independently evaluates their ability to discuss, analyze, and write about works of art and design a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

# Plan:

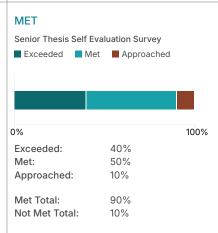
The plan consists of increasing focus on learning the processes of writing about art in scaffolded writing assignments in our senior thesis class and in art history classes.

Indirect - Survey

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# **Analysis**

# Analysis of Outcome 4. Measure 2. Student Self-evaluation Survey:

Although 90% or 9 of 10 students completing the self-evaluation survey rated their abilities in writing about art as a 3 or above, the faculty evaluations reported for Measure 1 will direct our improvement plan. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.2 with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or above.

# Other - [Area in Transition]

# Not Started

As mentioned in the senior thesis measure, although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned for other outcomes, we plan to build upon progress made this year with our newly formed graphic design oversight committee to create course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. Our goal will be to establish consistency but we will also evaluate during the 2025-2026 year whether outcomes targets should be raised or measures adjusted or whether more time should be allocated for establishing consistent successes. [Prince Thomas, SACS representative with additions by Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

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# Conclusion

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**MEASURES** 

Although we exceeded our target, we remain cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical practices align with department goals for student success. As mentioned for other outcomes, we plan to build upon progress made this year with our newly formed graphic design oversight committee to create course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. Our goal will be to establish consistency but we will also evaluate during the 2025-2026 year whether outcomes targets should be raised or measures adjusted or whether more time should be allocated for establishing consistent successes. [Prince Thomas, SACS representative with additions by Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

# Demonstrate the Ability to Develop and Implement a Project Plan MET

Developed Spring 2024 for implementation in the 2024-2025 academic year:

New outcome added to the senior thesis capstone project that consists of a body of work and a written paper describing it that they also defend orally. For the new outcome 5, students will demonstrate the ability to develop and implement a project plan by meeting project goals by projected due dates.

**ACTIONS** 

**RESULTS** 

#### **MET** Other - [Area in Transition] Senior Thesis Capstone Project Senior Thesis Capstone Project IN PROGRESS ■ Exceeded ■ Approached Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Implemented for the first time for this Outcome 4. Measure 1. Writing About Art and additional outcome in 2024-2025: Design Component: This outcome will be primarily assessed as part of the students' senior thesis capstone With 90% or 9 of 10 students assed in the project in conjunction with ARTS 4399, Senior senior theses assessment achieving a 3 or Thesis & Exhibition. 100% above, results indicate that we have Exceeded: 90% exceeded our target by addressing Method: implementing a successful project plan. Approached: 10% The method is that two faculty form the thesis committee and independently assess the Although we exceeded our target, we remain Met Total: 90% students' ability to develop and implement a cautious in interpreting this result, as our project plan using the following rubric Not Met Total: 10% department has experienced ongoing (detailed rubric attached): Student's ability to turnover in the graphic design area and has develop and implement a project plan. **Analysis** been actively conducting searches to fill two Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), faculty positions for the past few years. We Below Average (1), Unacceptable (0). are again in the process of hiring graphic Results for Outcome 5. Measure 1. design professors to ensure pedagogical Plan: **Developing and Implementing a Project** methods align with department goals for Students will work directly with their thesis Plan Component: student success. As mentioned in other With 90% or 9 of 10 students assed in committee to develop a project plan that will outcomes, we plan to build upon successes ensure they successfully complete thesis in a the senior thesis assessment achieving a achieved this year with the newly formed timely manner. 3 or above, results indicate that we have graphic design oversight committee that exceeded our target by having students Direct - Assignment created course maps for key courses Intro to develop strategically successful project Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to plans to hit targets for successfully Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399 reform the committee to include incoming completing their thesis. The aggregate faculty. Our goal will be to promote Target average score for this measure is 3.75 consistency but we will also consider whether with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or to adjust measures or targets or to allocate above. This is the first year that we have 75% of student completing ARTS4399 will do more time for new faculty to acclimate and introduced this Outcome. so with work that exhibits competent achieve consistent successes before making development and implementation of a project updates. [Prince Thomas, SACS plan, meeting project goals by projected due representative with additions by Stephanie dates and scoring 3 or above on our rubric of Chadwick, department chair] Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026 SACS2024-2025BFAGraphicDesign.pdf SACS Assessment Rubric-BFA StudioGD-ART 4399 Thesis Evaluation. docx Other - [Area in Transition] Senior Thesis Self Evaluation Survey SelfSurveySACS2024-2025BFAGraphicD Not Started esign.pdf As mentioned in the senior thesis measure, Method & Plan being implemented for the first although we exceeded our target, we remain **Analysis** time for this additional outcome in 2024-

# 2025:

# Method:

The method is that in addition to the senior thesis measure, each graduating senior completing a senior thesis project also independently evaluates their ability to to develop and implement a project plan as a result of the senior thesis and related Art & Design instruction using the following rubric (detailed rubric attached): Excellent (4), Above Average (3), Average (2), Below Average (1), Did not participate (0).

#### Plan

Students will work directly with their thesis committee to develop a project plan that will ensure they successfully complete thesis in a timely manner.

Indirect - Survey

Senior Thesis & Exhibition: ARTS 4399

# Target

75% of students completing the senior thesis self-evaluation will rate their learned abilities in the area of developing and implementing a project plan with a score of 3 or above on our rubric of 1-4.

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# Improvement Plan Based on Analysis of Outcome 5. Measure 2. Student Self-evaluation Survey:

Although 90% or 9 of 10 students completing the self-evaluation survey rated their abilities in Implementing a Project Plan as a 3 or above, the faculty evaluations reported above for Measure 1 will direct our overall improvement plan. The aggregate average score for this measure is 3.4 with 9 of 10 students scoring at 3 or above. This is the first year that we have introduced this Outcome.

cautious in interpreting this result, as our department has experienced ongoing turnover in the graphic design area and has been actively conducting searches to fill two faculty positions for the past few years. We are again in the process of hiring graphic design professors to ensure pedagogical methods align with department goals for student success. As mentioned in other outcomes, we plan to build upon successes achieved this year with the newly formed graphic design oversight committee that created course maps for key courses Intro to Graphic Design and Portfolio Development to reform the committee to include incoming faculty. Our goal will be to promote consistency but we will also consider whether to adjust measures or targets or to allocate more time for new faculty to acclimate and achieve consistent successes before making updates. [Prince Thomas, SACS representative with additions by Stephanie Chadwick, department chair]

Recommended Due Date: 05/01/2026

# Conclusion

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