LEAP Action Summary Communication Sciences and Disorders

LEAP Workshop Year:	2012
Action dates:	2012 to 2013 (and ongoing)
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General Goal:

To use the LEAP ELOs to drive a major revision of the undergraduate curriculum and department assessment plan with a specific emphasis on the assessment and development of writing across the major, and the promotion of high-impact practices across the curriculum

Planned Actions:

- 1. Revise undergraduate curriculum so that students have the opportunity to complete a broader range of courses and/or complete a minor
- 2. Increase the number of students engaging in high impact practices, i.e. study abroad, capstone experience, and undergraduate research.
- 3. Revise course syllabi to include LEAP essential learning outcomes (ELOs) and design assignments and learning experiences to address acquisition of ELOs.
- 4. Develop department assessment plan aimed at assessing students' acquisition of LEAP ELOs.
- 5. Develop systematic departmental approach to the assessment and improvement of student writing.

Deliverables, Completed Actions:

- 1. Curriculum revision completed and enacted Fall 2014. All students now complete a BS degree. Fall 2015 declared CSD majors (n=171). Based on spring 2015 data of CSD majors (n=159), 28.50% are completing minors in several different areas: Psychology, Family Disabilities and Health, Spanish, Dance, Special Education.
- 2. Significant increase in the number of students engaging in undergraduate research (fall 2015 n=12). We created a capstone senior seminar and a senior day presentation which all majors complete in their senior year (ComDis 485).
- 3. All syllabi include LEAP ELOs and indicate which assignments address each outcome.
- 4. Department assessment plan was conceptualized in draft form during 2012 2013 period. Preliminary data were gathered last year with full implementation this year.
- 5. We developed a writing rubric which we use to monitor student progress in writing at various points in the curriculum.