

**Point Loma Nazarene University  
General Education Assessment Data  
School of Theology and Christian Ministry  
Spring 2015**

**Learning Outcome:**

General Education LO 3a: Engage in actions that reflect Christian discipleship in a context of communal service and collective responsibility,

**Outcome Measure:**

Measures of religiosity as established by the Duke University Religion Index. (DUREL)

**Criteria for Success (if applicable):**

Sixty per cent of students in BIB 101, BIB 102, CHU 395 and THE 306 will meet or exceed the measures of religiosity as indicated in the rubric (below).

**Longitudinal Data:**

The following percentages were recorded for the four SoTCM courses used for measurement (N in parens):

	<u>BIB 101</u>	<u>BIB 102</u>	<u>CHU 395</u>	<u>THE 306</u>
Q1	88% (192)	87% (231)	75% (117)	74% (74)
Q2	75% (166)	69% (185)	60% (96)	70% (70)
Composite	66% (142)	61% (169)	55% (86)	55% (55)

**Conclusions Drawn from Data:**

The minimum criteria for success was met or exceeded in the two extrinsic measures of religiosity (Q1 and Q2) for all courses. The minimum criteria for success was exceeded in the intrinsic measure of religiosity (Composite) for the two lower division courses (BIB 101 and BIB 102) but not for the two upper division courses (CHU 395 and THE 306).

**Changes to be Made Based on Data:**

No changes are recommended for the BIB 101 or BIB 102 courses. Additional attention to the intrinsic dimensions of faith is recommended for CHU 395 and THE 306 courses.

**Rubric Used**

Questionnaire responses were scored as meeting the minimum criteria for success as follows:

- 1) "More than once a week", "Once a week", or "A few times a month" in answer to the question, "How often do you attend church or other religious meetings?"
- 2) "More than once a week", "Daily" or "Two or more times/week" in answer to the question, "How often do you spend time in private religious activities, such as prayer, meditation or Bible study?"
- 3) A composite score score of 6 or less (response of 1=Definitely true; 2=Tends to be true; 3=Unsure; 4=Tends not to be true; and 5=Definitely not true) to the statements,
  - a. "In my life, I experience the presence of the Divine(i.e., God)"
  - b. "My religious beliefs are what really lie behind my whole approach to life".
  - c. "I try to carry my religion over into all other dealings in life."