One of HWC's Gen Ed Goals is that students learn:
"To understand and appreciate the arts, literature, history, and philosophical systems of major world cultures."

Whaddya Know?

Source: HWC 2005-2007 Catalog (page 128)

HWC defines the Humanities and the Arts as "the study of the evolution and development of ideas, beliefs, and philosophies in the context of various forms of cultural expression to broaden the human experience."

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their understanding and appreciation of the arts through their use of analysis, evaluation, interpretation, artistic applications, and communication skills.

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their arts analysis skills by "identifying historical periods, major movements and theories related to the evolution of a particular discipline."

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their arts evaluation skills by "establishing criteria to assess the major characteristics, and to draw inferences from a work."

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their arts application skills by "using techniques relative to the discipline to construct a physical manifestation as a vehicle for communication."

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their arts interpretation skills by "responding through the 'self' to the synthesis and integration of analyzed and evaluated information."

Whaddya Know?

HWC students demonstrate their arts communication skills by "articulating ideas, emotions, or interpretations through dialogue, reading, writing, and visual imagery."

Whaddya Know?

83.6% of HWC students agree that studying the arts and humanities has given them new ways to think about their lives.

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Whaddya Know?

86.2% of HWC students agree that studying the arts and humanities has helped them be more expressive, creative, and imaginative.

Whaddya Know?

79.2% of HWC students agree that studying the arts and humanities has helped broaden their taste (in music, literature and visual art).

Whaddya Know?

66.6% of HWC students say they read different types of books now than they did before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

69% of HWC students say they enjoy different types of visual art now than they did before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

75.3% of HWC students say they are more likely to think about the arts and race or ethnicity now than they were before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

70.2% of HWC students say they are more likely to discuss life's big questions now than they were before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

66.1% of HWC students say they are more likely to search for meaning in music/images/books now than they were before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

73.1% of HWC students say they are more likely to feel confident about interpreting creative works of art now than they were before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

73.1% of HWC students say they are more likely to find value in creative works (even if they don't enjoy them) now than they were before coming to HWC.

Whaddya Know?

17.1% of HWC students have never visited a museum.

Whaddya Know?

45.5% of HWC students have attended a play since coming to HWC while

11.4% of HWC students have never attended one.

Whaddya Know?

On the exam portion of the assessment:

- ~46.7% chose to write about music;
- ~29% chose to write about visual art;
- ~24.3% chose to write about poetry.

Whaddya Know?