

## Portfolio Learning Outcome Narrative Instructions

Your portfolio learning outcome narrative serves as an integrative assessment of your strengths and areas for growth in the 10 SDA learning outcomes. There are three distinct sections for your narrative: Strengths, Areas for Growth, and Implications for Professional Practice.

You will create a summary sheet that identifies the following sections for this section:

	Areas (s)	Learning Outcomes (must address all)	Artifacts (must use each at least once)	SDA Academic Content	SDA Co-Curricular Content
<b><i>Integrative Theme</i></b>		N/A	N/A		
<b>Strengths</b>	1.	(3-5 LO's)			
	2.				
	3.				
<b><i>Integrative Theme</i></b>		N/A	N/A		
<b>Areas for Development</b>	1.	(3-5 LO's)			
	2.				
	3.				
<b><i>Integrative Theme</i></b>		N/A	N/A		
<b>Implications for Professional Practice</b>	1.	(up to 2 LO's max)			
	2.				
	3.				

You are **required to address all 10 learning outcomes in your narrative**, with a minimum of 3 LO's each for your strengths and areas for improvement and 2 LO's max for the implications for professional practice. Furthermore, you **must use each artifact once** in your narrative (except for Artifact K2). In addition, you may elect to use artifacts more than once.

**Please note the maximum word count** for each section as noted in parenthesis below. We will adhere strictly to the word count, and your faculty reader will not review documents beyond this requirement.

Lastly, **use bolded subheadings** to identify which learning outcomes & artifacts you are addressing in each section. **EX: Strengths (LO 1, 3, 4, & 7; Artifacts A, C, D, E & F)**

### **Strengths (1000 words max)**

**Integrative Theme:** Identify an integrative macro-theme that provides an overarching framework for your strengths. What is this theme? Why is this theme important to you personally and professionally? Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required (use proper APA citations).

**Learning Outcome Dimensions:** Thereafter, identify three unique areas that address 3-5 of your strongest learning outcomes in your experience in the SDA program. You may use an individual LO as your area of focus or you can create a synthesized area that brings together more than one LO.

Define three key dimensions of each of your selected LO's, and identify one or more SDA Program Content/Experiences (such as student development theory, research, and/or best practice) that have shaped your key dimensions; use proper APA citations. Reference particular sections of your (1) artifact(s) and (2) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points

**Demonstration of Development in Learning Outcomes:**

**Past (Prior to SDA Program):** Explain each area and your thoughts, values, and assumptions prior to the program.

**Present (During SDA Program):** Explain your understanding and growth in each selected learning outcome during the program. Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required to illustrate integration (use proper APA citations). In particular, to demonstrate your (1) understanding of the LO, especially as it speaks to your strengths and (2) your development in the LO, reference particular sections of your (a) artifact(s) and (b) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points.

Guiding questions include: How has your understanding of this learning outcome changed during the SDA program? Where was the growth? How did you grow? What did you learn? How are you a different professional today because of this development?

**Future (Post-SDA Program):** How will you continue to grow in this area?

**Areas for Growth (1000 words max)**

**Integrative Theme:** Identify an integrative macro-theme that provides an overarching framework for your areas for growth. What is this theme? Why is this theme important to you personally and professionally? Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required (use proper APA citations).

**Learning Outcome Dimensions:**

Thereafter, identify three unique areas that address 3-5 of your learning outcomes that you need more growth in. You may use an individual LO as your area of focus or you can create a synthesized area that brings together more than one LO.

Define three key dimensions of each of your selected LO's, and identify one or more SDA Program Content/Experiences (student development theory, research, and/or best practice) that have shaped your key dimensions; use proper APA citations. Specifically, reference particular sections of your (1) artifact(s) and (2) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points

**Demonstration of Development in Learning Outcomes:**

**Past (Prior to SDA Program):** Explain each area and your thoughts, values, and assumptions prior to the program.

**Present (During SDA Program):** Explain your understanding and growth in each selected learning outcome during the program. Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required to illustrate integration (use proper APA citations). In particular, to demonstrate your (1) understanding of the LO, especially as it speaks to your areas for growth and (2) your development in the LO, reference particular sections of your (a) artifact(s) and (b) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points.

Guiding questions include: How has your understanding of this learning outcome changed during the SDA program? Where was the growth? How did you grow? What did you learn? Where do you still need to grow and why? What gaps have you identified? How are you a different professional today because of this development?

**Future (Post-SDA Program):** How will you continue to grow in this area? If applicable, how will you fill gaps you identified?

### **Implications for Professional Practice (700 words max)**

**Integrative theme:** Identify an integrative macro-theme that provides an overarching framework for your future professional practice. Drawing from your strengths and areas for growth, what are you called to do/serve? What is this theme? Why is this theme important to you personally and professionally? Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required (use proper APA citations).

**Future (Post-SDA Program):** In particular, identify (1) Personal and (2) Professional places/spaces where you can draw upon your strengths and continue to grow as an individual and professional. Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required (use proper APA citations).

### **Learning Outcome Dimensions:**

Identify 1-2 areas that address no more than 2 of your learning outcomes that speak to your calling. You may use an individual LO as your area of focus or you can create a synthesized area that brings together more than one LO.

Define three key dimensions of each of your selected LO's, and identify one or more SDA Program Content/Experiences (student development theory, research, and/or best practice) that have shaped your key dimensions; use proper APA citations. Specifically, reference particular sections of your (1) artifact(s) and (2) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points

### **Demonstration of Development in Learning Outcomes:**

**Past (Prior to SDA Program):** Explain each area and your thoughts, values, and assumptions prior to the program.

**Present (During SDA Program):** Explain your understanding and growth in each selected learning outcome during the program. Connections to student development theory, research, and best practice are required to illustrate integration (use proper APA citations). In particular, to demonstrate your (1) understanding of the LO, especially as it speaks to your to your calling and (2) your development in the LO, reference particular sections of your (a) artifact(s) and (b) academic and co-curricular experiences to substantiate your points.

Guiding questions include: How has your understanding of this learning outcome changed during the SDA program? Where was the growth? How did you grow? What did you learn? How did this area become a calling? How are you a different professional today because of this development?