

The Academic Assessment Plan: Improving Student Learning at NWOSU

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Student Learning Outcomes

As part of the NWOSU Strategic Plan:

- What do we want our students to look like when they leave our program?**

In relation to accreditation:

- What is the North Central Association looking for?**

Changes to the Academic Assessment Plan

The Old Plan:

Assessment Plan and Results					
2010 Plan			2010 Results		
List of Goals	Methodology 1	Measure of Success 1	Findings 1	Program Modifications 1	List of Budget Implications
Student Learning Outcomes	Testing	Cut Marks	Results of Assessments	Course Adjustments	Expenses
Standards	Multiple Measures		Strategic Alignment	Changes	Cost Savings

What's New:

2011-2012 Academic Assessment Plan and Results					
2011-2012 Plan			2011-2012 Results		
SLO 1	Methodology 1	Measure of Success 1	Findings 1	What Did Your Data Tell You?	Program Modifications 1
Student Learning Outcomes	Multiple Measures	Cut Marks	Results of Assessment	Interpretation of Results	Pedagogical Adjustments

Student Learning Outcome

- ❑ 4 Student Learning Outcomes
- ❑ SLOs reflect what you expect your students to learn by the time they graduate
- ❑ Action verbs, resulting in overt and observable behavior and using Bloom's upper levels (analysis, synthesis, and evaluation,) are used
- ❑ Each outcome is specific, measureable, and a result of student learning
- ❑ No direct reference to the NWOSU mission or strategic plan has been made
- ❑ No FLOs are implemented

Methodology

- ❑ Multiple methodologies, including at least one direct measure, are used
- ❑ Specific assignments are used to reflect SLOs in specific courses
- ❑ Syllabi review has not been used as a methodology or measure of success

Measure of Success

- ❑ Cut marks are set at reasonable standards of excellence (ex: 80% of students will score at 80% or above on a given assignment)
- ❑ Letter grade is not used as a measure
- ❑ Aggregate GPA is not used as a measure

Findings

- Good thought and analysis

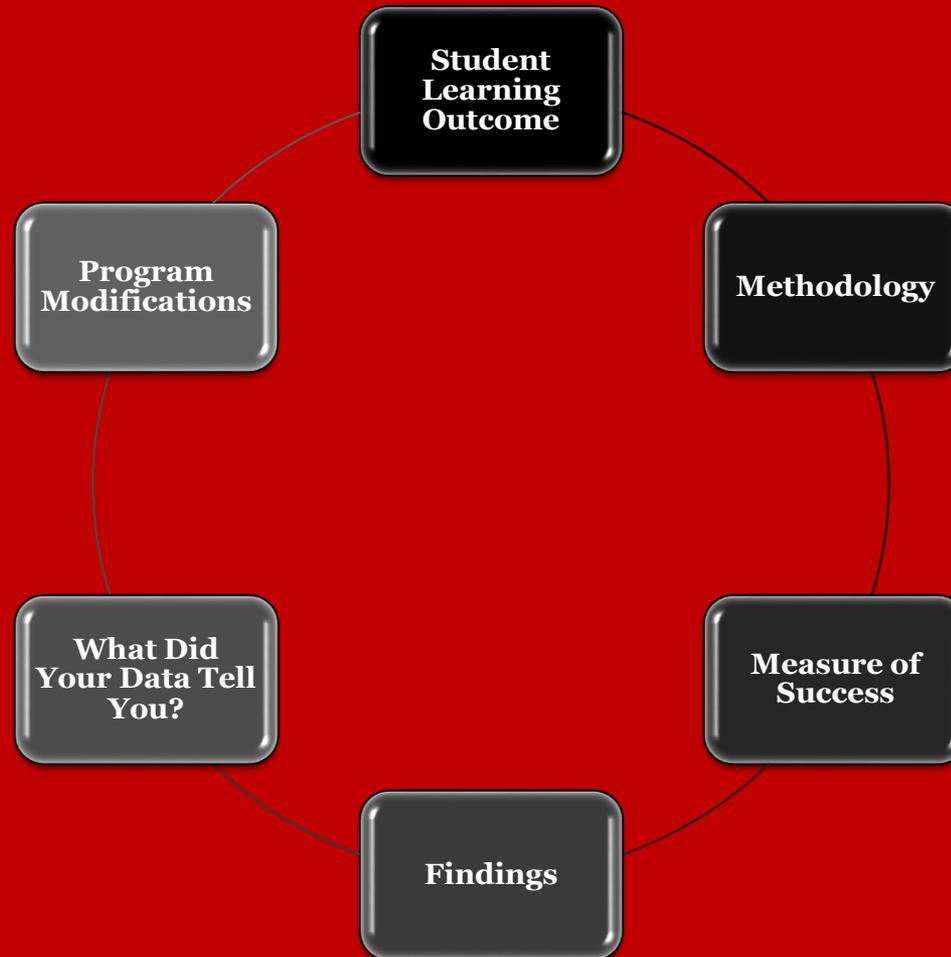
What Did Your Data Tell You?

- Did your students meet your expectations?

Program Modifications

- Results can be used to make decisions on how to improve programs
- Did students meet the level of expectation set for them?
- What can we change based upon our results?

Connecting the Loop



Submission and Review

- Deadline to submit 2010 results and new 2011-2012 academic assessment plans:

September 30, 2011

- Immediate process of review and feedback

Additional Comments

- Upcoming modifications to syllabi
- Options in meeting with faculty
- Regents Report

Example 1

Example 2

Example 3

Example 4

Example 5

Example 6

Examples and Brainstorming

Academic Assessment Plans:
A Guide and Resources

LiveText Resource Portfolio

Office of Assessment

Resources

- Normal
- Arial
- 12 pt.

- Number across columns

- Please call Leah Haines or Taylor Brainard to schedule a one on one meeting to assist you in formatting and submitting your plans

Questions

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