



Assessment Update

GRADUATE COUNCIL MEETING

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Community Engagement

- ▶ **Assessment Plans**

- ▶ **99% of our academic program and service unit plans are published. (287 of 291)**

- ▶ <http://www.utoledo.edu/offices/provost/assessment/tool/plan.aspx>

- ▶ **Assessment Reports**

- ▶ **97% submission rate for the 2014-2015 academic program and service unit reports (282 of 291)**

- ▶ **90% submission rate for the 2014-2015 general education reports (81 of 90)**

THANK YOU!

A More Meaningful Process

- ▶ Because most are now engaged in the process by providing data, we can do more...
- ▶ “The UAC should shift from intensive effort at ensuring compliance on departmental reports to more focus on aggregating data across the institution and recommending actions. “ (*Barbara Walvoord consultation report, Spring 2014*)

A New University Assessment Plan

- ▶ Developed last spring, approved by the University Assessment Committee in August 2015
- ▶ Includes new language in the UAC's Charge
 - ▶ “Review assessment information aggregated from multiple sources and make recommendations that inform institution's decision-making, strategic planning, and budgeting processes.” (*University Assessment Plan, 2015, p. 25*)

Key Questions on UAC Report Templates

Academic Program Report

PART FIVE: WHAT ASPECTS OF STUDENT LEARNING DO YOU THINK THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD WORK ON?

Examples: Access to library services; communication skills; writing skills

General Education Report

What action item(s) do you recommend the institution address in the next academic year?

Service Unit Report

PART FIVE: HOW CAN THE UNIVERSITY BETTER SUPPORT THE DELIVERY OF YOUR ACADEMIC SUPPORT ACTIVITIES?

Examples: Access to library services; communication skills; writing skills

Reviewing Data from Multiple Sources

- ▶ UAC reviewed data from:
 - ▶ General Education Reports
 - ▶ Academic Program Reports
 - ▶ Service Unit Reports
 - ▶ Collegiate Learning Assessment
 - ▶ National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)
 - ▶ Senior Survey

Recommendations to Provost Barrett

- ▶ Review the University's approach to teaching, support, and enhancement of written communication skills.
- ▶ Explore the *quality of student interactions* with other students, faculty, student services, and administrative offices.

Upcoming Assessment Events

- ▶ **Assessment Day-April 6, 2016**
- ▶ **Course Design Institute-May/June**
- ▶ **2nd Annual General Education Faculty Appreciation Picnic**
 - ▶ **TBD, the week before classes begin in the fall**