SOLANO COLLEGE ASSESSMENT NEWS



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NEW ASSESSMENT DOCUMENTS ON SOLANO WEBSITE!

<u> http://www.solano.edu/slo/</u>

Visit the Solano College SLO website to view:

- Assessment Handbook (approved by AS on 5/15/17)
- 2. All the SLOs and Success
 Criteria that were on file in
 the SLO database used
 prior to this term
- New GELOs and ILOs

 (approved by the
 Governing Board 6-21-17)
- 4. Step-by-Step Fall flex training guide (go to the training tab)

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STEPS TO ASSESSING IN META

The 2017-2018 academic year marks the start of outcomes assessment in CurricUNET META. We look forward to using this tool as it allows faculty to input their own assessments and provides stronger ties to the College's planning processes. To get started, faculty need to ensure their SLOs are entered correctly in CurricUNET:

- 1. Get CurricUNET access. If you have never accessed CurricUNET before, please email lisa.abbott@solano.edu so she can input you into the system
- 2. Log in to https://solano.curricunet.com Your username is your email address and your password is ChangeMe1 Please change your password to ensure privacy
- 3. For all courses in your discipline, SLO updates will need to be made. Click "Create Proposal" and scroll to "SLO Change Only". The assessment committee encourages collaboration among faculty, so there is consensus regarding any changes made. The SLOs are part of the course outline of record and are used for all sections of the course.
- 4. Create a new item for each SLO. Record the outcome, the success criteria, and map the SLO to the GELOs and ILOs that are directly measured with the SLO (limit to 1 or 2).
- 5. Once completed, LAUNCH the SLO only change. They will be reviewed by the Assessment Coordinator on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- 6. When your SLOs have been approved, you will be ready to assess courses. See the fall flex training materials for instructions.

The Assessment Committee encourages faculty to refer to the Assessment handbook for guidance on outcomes assessments. In addition to a narrative that outlines Solano College's assessment processes, there are appendices that provide guidance on such topics as success criteria and writing quality assessments. If you have questions or need support with the transition to META, please contact Amy Obegi (amy.obegi@solano.edu), or your school's coordinator. Open office hours to come- stay tuned!

WHERE ARE MY OLD ASSESSMENTS?

The Assessment Committee made the decision not to import any information from the SLO database that was used prior to META for a couple of reasons: 1) the assessments don't line up in the new and the old system, 2) there are new GELOs and ILOs that must be mapped, 3) in most cases success criteria needed to be reenvisioned. Rather than saying "rubric" or "70% of students pass," the success criteria should clearly state what the student would need to accomplish to be proficient on the SLO, and 4) it provided an opportunity for faculty to look at their SLOs to be sure they are the outcomes they want to be measuring; they are written clearly, measurable, and there are at least 2. If you want to see any "old" assessments Peter Cammish has made them available in the Solano dropbox: http://dropbox.solano.edu/ login with the username: coursedata and the password: coursedata On the left side you will see a SLO folder, click on the SLO folder and then find your course. You can't directly open your SLOs by clicking on the course name; you have to right click and then download.

STAY TUNED: ASSESSMENT OFFICE HOURS AND TRAININGS TO COME IN SEPTEMBER. DATES COMING SOON!