Degree Program Student Learning Report (rev. 7/14)

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Effectively assessing a degree program should address a number of factors:

- 1) Valid student learning outcomes should be clearly articulated;
- 2) Valid assessment measures should be used, consistent with the standards of professional practice;
- 3) There should be evidence that assessment data are being used by faculty to make necessary instructional or assessment changes; and there should be evidence that instructional or assessment changes are being implemented to improve student learning.

PART 1 (A & B)

Relationship of Degree Program Learning Outcomes to Departmental and University Missions

A. Clearly state the school, department and degree program missions.

| University Mission | School Mission | Department Mission | Degree Program Mission |
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| the skills and knowledge required to achieve professional and personal goals in | 05111 | The Department of Business prepares students to achieve professional and personal goals in dynamic and global communities | The Associate in Arts in Business Administration is designed to meet the continuing demand for business administration majors who understand the function of business and can utilize those functions in the business workplace. |

B. Clearly state school purposes, department purposes and degree program student learning outcomes. Align student learning outcomes with their appropriate school and department purposes, and these outcomes and purposes with their appropriate university commitments.

| University Commitments | School Purposes | Department Purposes | Student Learning Outcomes |
|--|--|--|--|
| To provide quality associate, baccalaureate, and graduate degree opportunities and educational experiences which foster student excellence in oral and written communications, scientific reasoning and critical and creative thinking. | Prepare students to enter the workplace or to continue their studies towards a higher degree. | Prepare students to enter the workplace or to continue their studies towards a higher degree | Demonstrate knowledge of functional management skills. Demonstrate knowledge of functional marketing skills. Demonstrate knowledge of functional accounting skills. Demonstrate knowledge of functional business communications skills. |
| To promote an atmosphere of academic and intellectual freedom and respect for diverse expression in an environment of physical safety that is supportive of teaching and learning. | To offer a learning experience which provides multiple views on global perspectives. | To offer a learning experience which provides multiple views on global perspectives. | 5. Analyze the local, regional, national, and global business environment. |
| To provide a general liberal arts education that supports specialized academic program sand prepares students for lifelong learning and service in a diverse society. | To offer a learning experience which stresses the need for service in a diverse society and lifelong learning. | To provide students with aa general education foundation that emphasizes continued learning and service to a diverse society. | 6. Demonstrate knowledge in the liberal arts area of general economic principles environment. |
| To provide students with a diverse, innovative faculty dedicated to excellence in teaching, scholarly pursuits and continuous improvement of programs. | | | |
| To provide university-wide student services, activities and resources that complement academic programs. | | | |
| To support and strengthen student, faculty and administrative structures that promote shared governance of the institution. | | | |
| To promote and encourage student, faculty, staff and community interaction in a positive academic climate that creates | | | |

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| opportunities for cultural, intellectual and personal enrichment for the University and the communities it serves. | | | |

PART 2

Discussion of Instructional Changes Resulting from 2012-2013 Degree Program Student Learning Report

List and discuss all instructional or assessment changes proposed in Part 5 of last year's Degree Program Student Learning Report, whether implemented or not. Any other changes or assessment activities from last year, but not mentioned in last year's report, should be discussed here as well. Emphasis should be placed on student learning and considerations such as course improvements, the assessment process, and the budget. If no changes were planned or implemented, simply state "No changes were planned or implemented."

| Instructional or Assessment Changes | Changes Implemented (Y/N) | Impact of Changes on Degree Program Curriculum or Budget |
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| No changes are planned. | | |

PART 3

Discussion About the University Assessment Committee's 2012-2013 Peer Review Report

The University Assessment Committee in its Degree Program Peer Review Report provided feedback and recommendations for improvement in assessment. List or accurately summarize <u>all feedback and recommendations from the committee</u>, and state whether they were implemented or will be implemented at a future date. If they were not or will not be implemented, please explain why. If no changes were recommended last year, simply state "No changes were recommended."

| Feedback and Recommended Changes from the | Suggestions | Changes that Were or Will Be Implemented, or |
|---|-------------|---|
| University Assessment Committee | Implemented | Rationale for Changes that Were Not Implemented |

| | (Y/N) | |
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| Both the school and department mission statements for the BS-BA are different than the same statements for the AA-BA. | Yes | There are only two courses different between the two degrees. Many SLOs and course analysis are combined. |
| When the department states that the AA-Bus degree's mission is "designed to meet the continuing demand for Business Administration majors," does it mean two-year degreed majors? Perhaps the intent would be clearer is stated: " the demand for <u>students</u> who understand" | | Mission changed to say "graduates". It means both two-year and four-year graduates. |
| How does the word "environment" fit with the sentence of which it is a part? | Yes | The word environment was omitted in the SLO #5 in Part I. |
| Why are most of the degree program outcomes for the AA- Accounting the same as those for the AA-Bus Adm degree program outcomes? | | There are only two courses different between the two degrees. Many SLOs and course analysis are combined. |
| Why is the sixth degree program outcome in the AA-Bus degree associated with the second University Commitment; whereas, the fifth degree program outcome in the AA-Acct (which is the same outcome) is associated with the third University Commitment? | Yes | The sixth SLO in both AA programs has been moved to the third University Commitment. |
| Department stated that there were no instructional or assessment changes that resulted from last year's report or other assessment activities. Weren't the implementation of the ETS test and survey changes that should have been included here? | | The field test was one year late in the development due to administrative errors. It is now two years into the implementation. It was stated in the changes 3 years ago. |
| The committee would like to hear a brief description of the changes implemented as a result of UAC suggestions. | Yes | Description of changes provided in this section. |
| All that is required in this column is the name of the measurement tool. Descriptions about it should be a part of the Conclusions column. | Yes | Description moved to conclusions. |
| Page 6: The survey measurement is described as something that will be given in the future. Has it already been administered? | | Survey was not administered. Taken off the Assessment Measures. |
| Is the percent of improvement in pre-test/post-test scores a percentage point increase or a percent of increase? | Yes | Should have been percentage increase. Administrative error. |

| How were the sample sections selected? Weren't they a mix of students who were majoring in different subjects? | | All sections were instructed to provide the data. Some provided unusable data or did not conduct one or both tests. |
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| Throughout the SLR percentage increases were not used consistently. Percentage point increases are not the same as percent of increase. (ie. P.4 SLO #1 the first result appears to be a percentage point increase [31.8%] while the second result appears to be calculated to be a percent of increase [65.7%]) This actually should be stated as either a 53.7 percent of increase of 30.2 percentage points. | Yes | Errors in computing increases were made. They have been corrected. |
| Regarding SLO #5 (p. 5 & 6), since the student's mean performance was almost the same as the 55 comparable institutions, why does the department state that they have "possible concerns" with their students' performance? Would those concerns prompt any instructional or assessment change? | | These possible concerns are because even though they are in the comparable ranges, there is still room for improvement. |
| Overall, there is very little discussion about the value of the students' performance in the Conclusions section. The discussion on this column should include remedial discussion about how the department may address deficiencies or related issues. | | All pre-test and post-test data show no concerns for the program. The filed test data is just beginning to accumulate data to determine if deficiencies exist. |
| Were results from adjunct instructors included in this report? Were some of the measures in this SLR from hybrid or online? | | All classes are scheduled to provide data. |
| Faculty did not indicate their role in the assessment process. | Yes | Faculty will indicate role on this form. |

PART 4

Analysis of Evidence of Student Learning Outcomes

For all student learning outcomes (as listed in Part 1 B above), describe the assessment measures and performance standards used, as well as the sampling methods and sample sizes. For each measure, document the results of the activity measured and draw relevant conclusions related to strengths and weaknesses of their performance.

| A. Student Learning Outcomes | B. Assessment Measures | C. Performance Standards | D. Sampling Methods | E. Sample Size (N) | F. Results | G. Conclusions | H. Performance Standards Met (Y/N) |
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| Demonstrate knowledge of functional management skills. Analyze the local, regional, national, and global business environment. | Pretest and posttest were administered in MGMT 3013 Principles of Management. | a. Students will improve posttest scores over pretest scores by at least 20%.b. Students will score at least 70% on posttest. | Complete sections were chosen as samples and administered the pretest and the same group administered the posttest | 85 85 | Pretest avg – 51.0% Posttest avg – 82.3% Students increased the posttest over pretest by 31.3%. b. Post test score was 82.3%. Students earned 12.3% over minimum | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |
| 2. Demonstrate knowledge of functional marketing skills. | Pretest and posttest were administered in MKTG 3113 Principles of Marketing | a. Students will improve posttest scores over pretest scores by at least 20%. | Complete sections were chosen as samples and administered the pretest and the same group administered the posttest. | 81 | Pretest avg – 62.7% Posttest avg – 84.6% Students increased the posttest over pretest by 21.9%. | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |
| | | b. Students will score at least 70% on posttest. | Complete sections were chosen and administered the pretest and the same group administered the posttest the posttest. | 81 | | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |

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| 3. Demonstrate knowledge of functional accounting skills. | Pretest and posttest were administered in ACCT 2103 Accounting I and ACCT 2203 Accounting II. | a. Students will improve posttest scores over pretest scores by at least 20%. | | ACCT 2103 - 67 ACCT 2203 -61 | ACCT I Pretest avg –54.3% Posttest avg – 87.0% Students increased the ACCT 2103 posttest over pretest by 60.2%. ACCT II Pretest avg – 55.3% Posttest avg – 86.1% Students increased the ACCT 2203 posttest over pretest by 55.7%. | | Yes |
| | | b. Students will score at least 70% on posttest | Complete sections were chosen and administered the pretest and the same group administered the posttest. | | b. Post test score for ACCT I was 87%. Post test score for ACCT II was 86.1%. was 86.1%. | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | yes |
| knowledge of functional business | Pretest and posttest were administered in BADM 3113 Business Communications | a. Students will improve posttest scores over pretest scores by at least 20%. | | 107 | Pretest avg – 46% Posttest avg – 72% Students increased the BADM3113 posttest over pretest by 63.9%. | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |
| | | b. Students will score at least 70% on posttest. | | | Post test score was 72% | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |

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| 5. Analyze the local, regional, national, and global business environment. 6. Demonstrate knowledge in the liberal arts area of general education. | Pretest and posttest were administered in ECON 2113 Macroeconomics and ECON 2123 Microeconomics | a. Students will improve posttest scores over pretest scores by at least 20%. b. Students will score at least 70% on posttest. | | ECON 2113 - 91 ECON 2123- 88 | Students i 2113 post 75.8%. ECON 21 Pretest av Posttest av Students i 2123 post 58.8%. Post test s was 82.3 | g - 46.8% vg - 82.3% ncreased the test over pref 23 g - 46.2% vg - 73.4% ncreased the test over pref core for ECC core for ECC | ECON test by DN 2113 | Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. Pretest/posttest show no indications of course deficiencies. | Yes |
| 1,2,3,4,5,6 | ETS Filed Test in Business for the Associates degree. | Seventy percent of the students completing their major course work will demonstrate their practical applications of business knowledge by | All available graduating students will be administered the field test. | 12 | Range 525- 529 535- 539 540- 544 545- 549 | 2013- 2014 1 (5%) 1 (27%) 0 1 (52%) | 2012- 2013 2 (7%) 1 (31%) 2 (42%) 1 (57%) | Students are administered the Educational Testing Service Associates Field Test in Business. The field test measures student knowledge in four areas of business: management, marketing, accounting, economics. Students performed well on the scores and in comparison with | Yes |

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| | | scoring at or above 548 (70 percent) on the ETS Major Field Test in Business. Average student scores will be above the 50 th percentile in all four areas. | | 6 | compared t 9 of 12 (759 Ass Ind Acct Econ Mgmt Mktg | 2 (73%) 3 (83%) 3 (94%) 1 (95%) s in parenthe o national sco %) scored above 2013- 2014 51 64 52 57 bove 50 th per 46.3 61.3 50.3 57.8 | ores. 2012- 2013 47 48 45 50 ccentile. | the national averages. Placed well in the percentiles and compared to national scores. Accounting students could not be compared with previous year due to low a number of accounting students taking the field test in 2012-2013. | Yes |

PART 5

Proposed Instructional Changes Based on Conclusions Drawn from Evidence Presented Above

State any proposed instructional or assessment changes to be implemented for the next academic year. They should be based on conclusions reported in Part 4 (above) or on informal activities, such as faculty meetings and discussions, conferences, pilot projects, textbook adoption, new course proposals, curriculum modifications, etc. Explain the rationale for these changes and how they will impact student learning and other considerations, such as curriculum, degree plan, assessment process, or budget. If no changes are planned, simply state "No changes are planned."

| Student Learning Outcomes | Instructional or Assessment Changes | Rationale for Changes | Impact of Planned Changes on Student Learning and Other Considerations. | |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------------|---|--|
| No changes. | | | | |

PART 6

Shared Pedagogical Insight that Improves Student Learning or Classroom Engagement

(OPTIONAL) If your department or a faculty member has developed a method or technique of teaching that seems especially effective in improving student learning or student engagement in the classroom, please provide a brief description below. More detail can be communicated during the face to face peer review session.

Description

PART 7 (A & B)

Assessment Measures and Faculty Participation

A. Assessment Measures:

- 1) How many different assessment measures were used? Four
- 2) List the direct measures (see rubric): Pre-test/Post-test in Accounting, Pre-test/Post-test in Economics, Pre-test/Post-test in Business Communications, ETS Field Test
- 3) List the indirect measures (see rubric): None

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1) Provide the names and signatures of all faculty members who contributed to this report and indicate their respective roles:

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