

Create a campus culture where outcomes are understood and valued and where assessment functions as a resource leading to improved instruction, curricula, programs, and/or services. (2016)

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OUTCOMES COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2015-16

Presented to the Academic Senate on May 19, 2016

CONTACT/RESOURCES INFORMATION

Outcomes Committee Co-Chairs:

Emily Woolery, Faculty Outcomes Coordinator Mark Lowentrout, Associate Dean, Arts Division

Outcomes Committee:

Arts: Mark Lowentrout

Business: Fawaz Al-Malood, William Roche Continuing Education: Julia Villalobos

Humanities and Social Sciences: Doug Mullane Kinesiology, Athletics and Dance: Clark Maloney

Library & Learning Resources: Ema Burman, Emily Woolery

Natural Sciences: vacant

Student Services: Eddie Lee, James Ocampo Technology & Health: Jonathan Hymer

Associated Students: Mary Hoff (Fall), Miriam Ayala (Spring)

Meeting Location:

Arts Division Conference Room (12-1220)

Websites:

Outcomes Assessment: http://www.mtsac.edu/instruction/outcomes/

Outcomes Committee: http://www.mtsac.edu/governance/committees/outcomes/

PURPOSE AND FUNCTION OF THE PROGRAM

The Outcomes Committee is responsible for monitoring the progress and evaluating the quality of outcomes efforts on campus and documenting the College's progress. The committee works with service (AUO), course (SLO), program (PLO), and institutional (ILO) outcomes. The committee reports to the Academic Senate through the Curriculum and Instruction Council.

MISSION OF THE PROGRAM

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NUMBER OF STUDENTS SERVED

Not applicable

RETENTION/SUCCESS OF THE STUDENTS IN THE PROGRAM

Not applicable

GOALS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Committee Goal and Progress Report (2015-2016)

GOAL #1: Ensure the Outcomes website is maintained with current and accurate information.

The Outcomes Assessment website was modified to include current information, such as progress of the transition to TracDat v5. The Outcomes Committee website is regularly revised to update meeting minutes and provide snapshots of outcomes assessment cycles for courses, programs, and institutional outcomes.

GOAL #2: Implement Institutional Level Outcomes.

After being approved by the Academic Senate in April 2015, campus areas and departments created outcomes mapping to demonstrate alignment between unit, program, and institutional level outcomes. As of April 2016, outcomes mapping was submitted for 93% of degrees, certificates, and support areas. Clerical support was provided to transfer outcomes mapping documentation to TracDat 5.

GOAL #3: Prepare Program Level Outcomes (PLOs) for inclusion in the College Catalog.

In addition to providing mapping between outcomes, departments also reviewed and revised program level outcomes. The Faculty Outcomes Coordinator is working with clerical support to enter PLOs into TracDat, and the Instruction Office is entering PLOs in the online College Catalog. Links to program level outcomes and student learning outcomes direct visitors from program and course outlines in WebCMS to assessment data stored in TracDat.

GOAL #4: Include support areas and students in outcomes assessment.

A student representative was appointed to and actively participated with the Outcomes Committee. Outcomes assessment was presented to the Associated Students Senate. Outcomes Committee members are meeting with students to create and promote a short video to promote outcomes awareness with students. A TracDat feedback session was held with representatives from the Student Services division.

Other Accomplishments

In addition to the accomplishments listed above, the Outcomes Committee reviewed courses undergoing the four-year review process. Committee members reviewed 155 courses to determine if a full cycle of assessment was completed. They also evaluated the quality of the outcomes assessment work for 33 courses. The Committee provided presentations at the Fall 2015 Faculty Flex Day and Research Day at Mt. SAC. The Outcomes Coordinator provided multiple training sessions on TracDat v5 with Information Technology—sessions were provided for new and experienced users. Finally, the Committee facilitated the Presidential Awards for Excellence and Innovation in Teaching and Learning by (1) presenting the 2015 awards and (2) selecting the 2016 awards.

ISSUES AND RESOURCES NEEDED

The Outcomes Committee will continue to explore recommendations for outcomes assessment per ACCJC accreditation, the College's Strategic Plan, and the College's Planning for Institutional Effectiveness process.