Assessment Matters @ WMU, Fall 2019

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We hope you are having a great fall semester so far!

We are ready to jump in to help you with any assessment questions you have or to help you think about ways to improve learning in your courses and programs. Contact us at uaus-info@wmich.edu with your questions and comments. We would love to hear from you!

In this issue, we congratulate the winners of the 2019 Assessment Excellence Awards and 2019-20 Fellows Grant recipients. Check out the resource list below and find out what’s new with assessment at WMU.

Happy reading and have an outstanding fall semester. Go Broncos!

SAVE THE DATE!
11th Annual Assessment in Action Conference
Friday, March 13, 2020

Looking for more information and would like to attend an assessment conference? Go to this site for a list of upcoming conferences: http://www.assessment-conferences.com/
Assessment Resource Spotlight

Did you know that we have the following resources available for all academic and learner/student support units at WMU?:

Assessment in Action Conference proceedings: Click here to go to the ScholarWorks website to access presentation/workshop slides, handouts and more.

Assessment Fellows Grant recipient posters/project information: If you are interested in learning about the assessment projects of the Fellows Grant recipients, click here. Who knows, you may find someone who shares a common interest or that you might want to collaborate with on a future project!

Assessment handbook: Click here to access the handbook that contains definitions for common assessment terms, rubrics, information about assessment committees and contacts here on campus, and much more.

Assessment mentors: If you would like a one-time consultation or to meet with someone on an ongoing basis to ask questions about assessment best practices or to ask for feedback on your assessment plan etc., you can contact the Office of Assessment and Undergraduate Studies and we will connect you with someone who can help. We can also come to a departmental meeting and/or do a basic or tailored presentation based on your needs. Contact uaus-info@wmich.edu to request a mentor or to schedule a visit.

Assessment plan resources: On this page, you will find videos and worksheets to help you to develop meaningful and measurable outcomes, as well as websites for other institutions who we think model best practices in outcomes assessment.

Assessment Tip:

Assessment is a waste of time—unless the results are used for improvement. The overall purpose of university assessment is to improve the programs offered by the university. High quality programs require consistent, high quality assessment to assure that students continue to achieve program outcomes.

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