

Charges for Assessment Committee

Standing Charges:

The Assessment Committee shall carry out its charges within the context of the current Assessment Policy and the "Principles of Assessment", adhered to by this institution. On this campus, assessment is distinct from evaluation. Assessment at WPUNJ shall be defined as "the measurement of course, program, and other student learning outcomes, as well as university-wide curricular initiatives, for the purpose of improvement." To enhance our educational environment, assessments will be designed that:

1. Better articulate the educational goals,
2. Provide means for collecting information on the progress towards the goals,
3. Disseminate results to faculty and staff involved, who will consider possible modifications in that which has been assessed.

Additional Charges for 2007-8:

1. Collect program-level assessment practices and reports by departments, and report to Senate on their status.
2. Provide assistance to departments as the Graduate and Undergraduate Councils change the submission requirements for new/modified programs to include "program level" outcomes, a matrix showing where a skill or knowledge outcome item will be covered in the curriculum, and an assessment plan for those outcomes.
3. Develop a recommendation on the use of "assessment coordinators" by Departments/Colleges and investigate other models of assessment implementation.

Please note:

The Additional Charges are listed in priority order.

Please prepare an oral report, not to exceed 10 minutes, for the Senate meeting of April 8, 2008, on the committee's accomplishments for the year.