Unit Meeting October 11, 2007

Priorities

Undergraduate Education Major

- Faculty Positions
- □ Assessment

Assessment

Why should we assess?

Improve programs Improve the College of Education [Unit] Improve the quality of our graduates Improve the education of P-12 students

NCATE CACREP Middle States

Candidate Performance

Past vs. Current Expectations

What Should we Assess?

- Assess what is important
- Conceptual Framework
- Unit competencies
- NCATE standards
- State standards
- Program Standards [SPA's]Program Review

Unit Competencies/Proficiencies

□ 20 Undergraduate

□ 6 Graduate

NCATE STANDARDS

- Standard 1: K, S, D, and Student Learning
- Standard 3: Field Experiences and Clinical Practice
- Standard 4: Diversity
- □ Standard 5: Faculty
- Standard 6: Governance & Resources
- Unit Operations [advisement, library, number of sections offered, placements, quality of offerings, etc.]

State Standards

New Jersey Standards for Teachers

Professional Standards/SPA's

- Program Review
- □ ACEI, NAEYC, NCTM, NCTSS, etc.
- All require 6 common assessments and
 - 2 other optional assessments

On-line

Due: One year prior to the NCATE visit [2010] Results: Nationally recognized, recognized with conditions, not recognized

Program Reviews/SPA's Assessments

- 1. State Licensure Exam
- 2. Content Assessment
- 3. Assessment of Planning (e.g., unit plan)
- 4. Student Teaching/Internship assessment
- Assessment of candidate impact on student learning/providing a supportive learning environment
- Another assessment to show SPA standards are met

When to Assess

Transition Points:

- Admissions to the Program
- Prior to Practicum
- Prior to Student Teaching
- Program Completion

Who Assesses

- All of us: Every one needs to be involved
- Office of Field Experiences
- Office of Certification
- □ Faculty
- Program Coordinators
- Principals
- Cooperating Teachers
- Candidates

ISSUES

- Unit assessments Vs. Program assessments
- Aggregating, summarizing, and analyzing unit data at the advanced level
- Programs with no SPA's [one solution: Teacher Work Sample, another: assessment tools used by National Boards]
- How to collect, summarize, aggregate data: Waypoint

Questions?