

**Assessment of Student Learning Newsletter** 

July/August 2022

### Welcome Back!

As we settle in to a new academic year, it's time to start thinking about what your assessment projects will be during 2022-2023!

<u>PLAN AHEAD</u>: As a reminder, all faculty and instructors are expected complete at least one assessment each semester they teach. Communicate with your Department Chair about what rubric(s) you would like to use to complete your assessment this semester. Plus, don't forget that your faculty evaluation/performance plan for the year needs to include an assessment goal!

STAY ON SCHEDULE: To make sure you don't fall behind and end up scrambling to complete your assessment amidst the push to submit final grades, follow the guidelines and suggested timeline found in the Semesterly Assessment Task Checklist. For instance, your first task is to Communicate Expectations—department chairs should be having conversations with each faculty and instructor to review the assessment timeline, training opportunities, and expectations for participation.

KEEP IT SIMPLE: There are plenty of existing rubrics and resources available to you to make completing your expected assessment quick and easy, including PCC's 5 ready-to-use college-wide rubrics and the PCC Flex Self-Assessment!

If you have another tool you'd like to use (or create) to assess your students' learning this semester, you can use this <u>simple rubric template</u> and send it to <u>Liz.Medendorp@pueblocc.edu</u> to have it built into eLumen!

## **2021 Assessment Report**

If you haven't seen it yet, be sure to check out the <u>2021 Annual Assessment</u> <u>Report</u>, especially the <u>Brief Overview</u> handout. Key findings include:

- Instructor participation rates did not decline, but they didn't increase either—we should focus on getting more completed assessments this year!
- Student performance met our target of 70% accomplished or exemplary on all 5 Institutional Student Learning Outcomes!! This is a huge success!

#### Past Due Assessments

Be aware that there are still quite a few missing assessments for Spring and Summer 2022—make sure yours aren't among them! You can use the "term" drop-down in eLumen to go back to previous semesters and ensure that you have submitted scores for at least one assessment in at least one class for each semester you teach! If you are unsure whether you submitted yours or not, reach out to Liz.Medendorp@pueblocc.edu to check!

## **Resources & Opportunities**

Assessment @PCC Blog: <u>PCCassess.com</u> (<u>rubrics</u>, <u>glossary</u>, <u>eLumen guides</u>)
Timeline & Support: <u>Semesterly Task Checklist</u>, <u>Support Request Form</u>
ASL Committee Meetings: 3rd Tuesdays 3:30-5:00 (contact for WebEx link)
Assessment Office Hours: M/W 1:00-3:00 & by appointment (AB 250W/WebEx)

"Assessment can be designed so that faculty identify aspects of student learning that are important to them; keep decisions about assessment methods at a local level; rely on their own professional judgment as well as other sources of evidence; and arrive at actionable conclusions to address the learning gaps they have identified."

~Metzler & Kurz (2018)

#### **Upcoming Workshops**

#### **eLumen Basic Training/Refresher**

Thu. 9/15 10AM (Register Here!)
Fri. 9/16 10AM (Register Here!)
Mon. 9/19 2PM (Register Here!)
Cap't make it at any of those times

Can't make it at any of these times?
Submit a <u>Support Request</u> to schedule a one-on-one or small group training session!

**Contact Information** 

We are here to support YOU!!!

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