Student Learning Outcomes

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Outcomes for this presentation

- Upon completion of this session, new faculty will be able to
 - Explain a student learning process to reach an outcome.
 - Design assessments to produce a highstakes judgement about student knowledge and skills at the conclusion of a learning process.



Grades

Learning Outcomes

What are outcomes and why do we use them?

Student Learning Outcomes

• Describe the types of knowledge, skills, and abilities students can demonstrate at the end of your class.

Assessment Data

- Productive use of assessment data
 - internally to inform and strengthen undergraduate education
 - And externally to inform policy makers and other stakeholders



Student Learning Outcomes

SLO-centric Course Design



- Requires "reverse engineering"
- Guides the development of
 - Course content/objectives
 - Pedagogical methods
 - Opportunities for feedback
 - Rubrics
- Developing assessment(s) linked to the outcomes

Practice makes progress, Not perfect



• For instructors, practice guiding and coaching instead of the "traditional method" of presenting and grading

Practice makes progress, Not perfect



- Develop opportunities for practice
- Low-stakes
- Practice allows for learning competencies

Ideas?

SLO-centric Course Design



- Developing meaningful assessments linked to a student outcome
- Designing projects, examinations, performances, writing prompts, and other tasks that allow students to demonstrate what they know and can do is one of a faculty member's most consequential roles.

Types of Assessments?

Guiding Students

A student focusing on getting a good grade...



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Shifting the focus to taskoriented goals instead of grades • Instead of grades, students should focus on the opportunities for *PRACTICE*.

- For example:
 - Committing to doing homework
 - Dedicating a set time for exam preparation
 - Reviewing the previous lecture before attending class again
 - Etc.

https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2017/08/01/research-suggests-studentsmay-make-more-academic-progress-focusing-task-oriented



Shifting the focus to taskoriented goals instead of grades

• Traditional practice = "get the right" answers

• Develop challenges to push students to use what they've practiced to do the best they can.

Ideas?

eLumen

LPC's tool to document, use, and report evidence of student accomplishment.

completion	

Rubric

43210Uppon completion of BIO 50, students will be able to research a relevant anatomical or physiological topic and communicate their findings to others demonstrating content knowledgeMasteryAbove AverageAverageBelow AverageNo Demonstrated Achievement		Mastery	Above Average	Average	Below Average	No Demonstrated Achievement
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acquired from reliable scientific sources.	will be able to research a relevant anatomical or physiological topic and communicate their findings to others, demonstrating content knowledge	Mastery	Above Average	Average	Below Average	

Default Rubric



Enter assessment data

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Answer reflection questions of assessments



Then submit

eLumen

After eLumen

"Closing the Loop" \sim



Using assessments to refine pedagogy

For yourself, with other faculty, within the department **X X X X X X X X X X**

Role of program review