

## Assessment in Higher Education and UVI – Two Levels

Student Learning (Faculty)

Administrative and Educational Support Units (YOU + ME)

### Assessment - Asks Key Questions?

What Do We Do As An Unit?



How Well Are We Doing It?

How Do We Know How Well We Are Doing?

How Can We Use This Information To Improv What We Are Doing?

## WHY Do Assessment?...



- Insure We Meet Mission/Goals Of Vision 2012
- Insure We Are Becoming Better At What We Do
- Insure Accountability To Our Stakeholders

#### And.....

Meet Middle States Commission of Higher Education (MSCHE) Standards

Standard 7 – "...sustained assessment to evaluate and improve total range of programs and services...to improve and gain efficiencies in programs, services and processes."



 Standard 9 - "...ongoing assessment of student support services and the utilization of assessment results for improvement."



## Background....

Title III – "Outcomes Assessment"

Historically Dates Back to 2003

Student Learning Outcomes Assessment (SLAC)

Fall 2006 – Assessment Committee FormedCharge = Develop Assessment Plan

Assessment Committee

Assessment

#### Reviewed

- 1. Plans From Other Institutions
- 2. Best Practices



OIRP Charged with Drafting Assessment Plan

#### Included:

Assessment at UVI from 2003-2007

**Student Learning Outcomes Assessment** 

Best practices/templates/Nichols Five Column Model



Draft Assessment Plan submitted to Assessment Committee.

# Assessment Committee – March 9, 2007 Developed Common Language on Assessment **Defined Assessment at UVI** Agreed on Components of Institutional Assessment

#### Assessment at UVI is...

Institutional Effectiveness

Institutional
Assessment
(Administrative and Educational Support Units)

Student Learning Outcomes Assessment (Faculty)





Umbrella for Institutional and Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

UVI's Goal!

### Institutional Effectiveness is

"the degree to which the University fulfills its mission and accomplishes its stated goals by assessing outcomes and providing evidence of improvement based on the analysis of results."



#### Institutional Assessment...

"is an administrative/education support driven process that systematically gathers interprets, and uses data for the purposes of supporting the achievement of the University's mission."



"is a faculty-driven process that systematically gathers, interprets, and uses data for the purpose of improving student learning."

## Parts of UVI's Institutional Assessment Plan

Strategic Plan

Monitoring and Insuring Full Development of the Plan

Middle States Commission of Higher Education

Insuring Middle States Standard 7 is met

Unit Assessment Plans (Nichols)

 Core of UVI Institutional Assessment and UVI's Institutional Effectiveness Plan

## Nichols Visit to UVI

May 8-11, 2007

Nichols Model of Assessment

Template for Developing an

Assessment Plan

## Steps To Completing An Assessment Plan

1. Establish a Link to the Institutions Mission/Goals

What part of UVI's Mission/Goals do you support?

- 2. Look at Your Unit Mission Statement "The Mission of ..... is to...
- Don't have one? List the services + clients you serve!

### Steps .....

3. \*\*\*\*Formulate Objectives/Outcomes

How do you know you are accomplishing the purpose of your unit?

- A. UNIT NAME will (Improve, Decrease, Increase, Provide Quality) of NAME SERVICE
- B. NAME CLIENT (STUDENT??) will be satisfied with NAME SERVICE
- CLIENT attending (List Service/Workshop/Counseling....)
  will (verb improve, increase, understand...)
  WHAT



## Steps cont.

5. Results/Summary
What did you find out?



6. Use of Results to Improve Unit Service

How did you use that information to improve the service you provide?

#### 2007 ASSESSMENT REPORT

(Name of Administrative or Educational Support Department/Unit)

(Assessment Period Covered)

(Date Submitted)

Submitted By:

(Unit Director)

#### 2007 ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR

(Administrative or Educ	cational Support Unit)
(Assessment Period Covered)	(Date Submitted)
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Administrative or Educational Support Ur	it Mission Statement:
Intended Administrative Objectives: 1.	
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Form B

#### 2007 ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR

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(Assessment Period Covered)

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Intended Administrative or Educational Support Objective:
NOTE: There should be one form C for each intended objective listed on form B.
The intended unit objective should be stated in the box immediately below and the strategic thrust number entered in the blank spaces.

#### First Means of Assessment for Objective Identified Above:

1. Means of Unit Assessment & Criteria for Success:

2. Summary of Assessment Data Collected:

3. Use of Results to Improve Unit Services:

Form C





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