California State University, Sacramento
Provost’s Advisory Committee on Assessment

Charge:

The Committee is an advisory body to the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. The purpose of the Committee is to assist the provost in strengthening assessment efforts in all academic programs. The goal of assessment activities is to improve student learning outcomes through the collection and analysis of reliable and valid data that is internalized in departments, meaningful, embedded and aligned with the University’s goal of furthering academic excellence in all our programs. The principal activities of the Committee are to:

1. Identify and recommend best practices for strengthening assessment efforts in all academic departments and programs.

2. Recommend effective strategies to communicate assessment requirements emanating from WASC, the CSU, and Sacramento State’s curricula and pedagogical demands and proposing ways to meet those obligations on an annual and ongoing basis.

3. Serve as a channel to inform the provost about challenges and opportunities that arise from departments ongoing experiences and activities implementing assessment of student learning outcomes.

4. Recommend efficient and meaningful ways to sustain assessment in all academic programs.

5. Support the provost’s efforts to provide information to the Curriculum Policies Committee on the University’s assessment efforts.

Membership:

Members of the Committee are appointed by the provost to a renewable term of two (2) academic years. The committee chair will be appointed by the provost. Membership will consist of the following:

1 University’s Assessment Coordinator
   Terry Underwood

1 Dean
   Jill Trainer (NSM)

1 Academic Affairs representative
   Don Taylor

4 Faculty representatives
   (with assessment experience)
   Cathi Christo (ED)
   Jackie Donath (AL)
   Susan McGinty (HHS)
   Milica Markovic (ECS)
1 Student Affairs representative (with assessment experience)  
Joy Stewart-James (SHC)

1 Center for Teaching and Learning Board representative (with assessment experience)  
Maureen Lojo (BA)

1 Chair, Curriculum Policies Committee currently  
David Lang (SSIS)

1 Assessment Coordinator, General Education currently  
Beth Strasser (SSIS)

1 Chair, Program Review Oversight Committee currently  
Jeffrey Brodd (AL)