2016-2017 Annual Assessment Report Template

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Question 1: Program Learning Outcomes

Q1.1.

Which of the following Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs), Sac State Baccalaureate Learning Goals (BLGs), and emboldened Graduate Learning Goals (GLGs) **did you assess?** [Check all that apply]

	1. Critical Thinking
	2. Information Literacy
	3. Written Communication
✓	4. Oral Communication
	5. Quantitative Literacy
	6. Inquiry and Analysis
	7. Creative Thinking
	8. Reading
✓	9. Team Work
	10. Problem Solving
	11. Civic Knowledge and Engagement
	12. Intercultural Knowledge, Competency, and Perspectives
	13. Ethical Reasoning
	14. Foundations and Skills for Lifelong Learning
	15. Global Learning and Perspectives
	16. Integrative and Applied Learning
	17. Overall Competencies for GE Knowledge
	18. Overall Disciplinary Knowledge
	19. Professionalism
	20. Other, specify any assessed PLOs not included above:
a.	
b.	
c.	

Q1.2.

Please provide more detailed background information about EACH PLO you checked above and other information including how your specific PLOs are **explicitly** linked to the Sac State **BLGs/GLGs**:

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Computer science student learning outcomes or PLOs are abilities a B.S. Computer Science graduate

should possess at the time of graduation. The selection of our nine PLOs is guided by the Computing Accreditation Commission (CAC) of ABET, Inc., the accrediting body for computer science programs.

Our PLOs are listed below.

At graduation, a B.S. Computer Science student should be able to:

(a) Apply fundamental knowledge of mathematics, algorithmic principles, computer theory, and principles of computing systems in the modeling and design of computer-based systems that demonstrate an understanding of tradeoffs involved in design choices.

(b) Analyze a problem, specify the requirements, design, implement, and evaluate a computer-based system, process, component, or program that satisfies the requirements.

(c) Apply design and development principles in the construction of software systems of varying complexity.

(d) Use current skills, techniques, and tools necessary for computing practice.

(e) Function effectively as a member of a team to accomplish a common goal.

(f) Understand professional, ethical, legal, social, and security issues and responsibilities; analyze the impact of computing on individuals, organizations, and society both locally and globally.

(g) Write effectively.

(h) Give effective oral presentations.

(i) Recognize the need for, and the ability to engage in, continuing professional development.

For each PLO, the faculty identified a set of measurable performance criteria or indicators in upper division core courses.

Assignments, exam questions, surveys, rubrics, etc. were developed to evaluate these performance

criteria. Outcomes (a) through (d) address the theoretical concepts, technical knowledge, and skills

necessary for our B.S. graduates to be successful upon graduation. Outcomes (e) through (i) address nontechnical characteristics or

abilities the Department expects graduates to have, i.e., effective oral and

written communication skills, teamwork, life-long learning, and ethical, legal responsibilities.

In 2015-2016, the Department assessed PLOs (a) through (d). This year, 2016-2017, we assessed PLO (e) Team work and PLO (h) Oral presentation. We also worked on closing the loop in areas where the established percentage of students meeting or exceeding criteria was below our minimum threshold of **70%**. For 2017-2018, we plan to assess PLOs (f), (g), and (i) and close the loop in areas of deficiency to complete our three-year assessment cycle.

The PLOs that have been assessed this year (e and h) and their performance criteria are as follows.

PLO (e) Function effectively as a member of a team to accomplish a common goal.

- e-1. Cooperate and collaborate as a team member.
- e-2. Communicate and listen. Keep teammates informed.
- e-3. Face conflicts and resolve differences
- e-4. Contribute equally as a participant in the project.

PLO (h) Give effective oral presentations

h-1. Use an effective presentation style and delivery (e.g., speak clearly and with confidence, attract and hold the attention of the audience, maintain eye contact, and use clear, appropriate visual aids.)

h-2. Use appropriate vocabulary and accurate technical terms and phrases. Consistently follow correct rules of standard English.

h-3. Provide a well-organized and clear technical presentation of sponsor's problem, design of software solution, the highest priority feature and its functionality, and key testing issues.

h-4. Articulate project-related issues, e.g., difficulties encountered and how they were dealt with, and lessons learned.

In this report we are required to select ONE PLO as an example (Q2.1). We have selected PLO h (Oral Presentation), and this report will focus on this PLO. However, our assessmenet data for the other PLO that we have assessed this year (PLO e Team Work) may be provided uppon request.

The table below shows how our specific PLOs are explicitly linked to the Sac State BLGs.

Alignment of Student Learning Outcomes with University Baccalaureate Learning Goals

University Baccalaureate Learning Goals	(a) Fundamental Knowledge	(b) Analysis	(c) Design	(d) Skills	(e) Teamwork	(f) Ethics	(g) Written Communications	(h) Oral Communications
Competence in Discipline	X	Х	Х	Х				
Knowledge of Human Cultures and Physical and Natural Worlds	X				x	X		
Intellectual and Practical Skills	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Personal and Social Responsibilities				X	x	X		
Integrative Learning	Х	Х	X	X			Х	X

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Do you have rubrics for your PLOs?
1. Yes, for all PLOs
\bigcirc 2. Yes, but for some PLOs
O 3. No rubrics for PLOs
O 4. N/A
O 5. Other, specify:

Q1.3.

Q1.2.1.

Are your PLOs closely aligned with the mission of the university?

- 1. Yes
- O _{2. No}
- 3. Don't know

Q1.4.

Is your program externally accredited (other than through WASC Senior College and University Commission (WSCUC))?

• 1. Yes

- O 2. No (skip to Q1.5)
- 3. Don't know (skip to Q1.5)

Q1.4.1.

If the answer to Q1.4 is yes, are your PLOs closely aligned with the mission/goals/outcomes of the accreditation agency?

- 1. Yes
- O 2. No

O 3. Don't know

Q1.5.

Did your program use the *Degree Qualification Profile* ("DQP", see http://degreeprofile.org) to develop your PLO(s)?

O 1. Yes

2. No, but I know what the DQP is

3. No, I don't know what the DQP is

4. Don't know

Q1.6.

Did you use action verbs to make each PLO measurable?

1. Yes

O 2. No

O 3. Don't know

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Question 2: Standard of Performance for the Selected PLO

Q2.1.

Select <u>OR</u> type in ONE(1) PLO here as an example to illustrate how you conducted assessment (be sure you *checked the correct box* for this PLO in Q1.1):

Oral Communication

If your PLO is not listed, please enter it here:

Q2.1.1.

Please provide more background information about the specific PLO you've chosen in Q2.1.

As detailed in Q 1.2, we use the following four performance indicators (criteria) to assess PLO (h) Oral Presentation:

h.1 Presentation style and delivery

h.2 Language and vocabulary

h.3 Organization

h.4 Communication of technical content

These indicators are evaluated in two different courses:

CSC 191 (Senior Project Part II). Student oral presentations of their senior projects are assessed by faculty members as detailed in Q2.3 and Q3.2.1. The Senior Project is a capstone course in our curriculum.

CSC 195 (Field Work). Student performance in internships is assessed by their employers as detailed in Q2.3 and Q3.2.1. Internships provide students with valuable work experience before they complete their B.S degrees.

Q2.2. Has the program developed or adopted **explicit** standards of performance for this PLO? 2. No
 3. Don't know
 4. N/A

Q2.3.

Please provide the rubric(s) and standards of performance that you have developed for this PLO here or in the appendix.

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To evaluate student oral presentations for the senior project (CSC191 Part II), the following evaluation form was used. This form was completed by the faculty members who have participated in the evaluation as detailed in Q3.2.1.

Computer Science	Oral Communication	
Computer Science	Evaluation	

Course: CSC 191	Instructor: R. Buckley				Date: December 9, 2016			
Team Name:	Evaluator:	Faculty	Instructor	Student		Industry Rep	r	

Group Ratings (Team as a Whole) - Check Appropriate Column				
ORGANIZATION	1 – Below Expectations	2 – Minimally Meets Criteria	3 –Meets Criteria	4 – Exceeds Criteria

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Describe the key TESTING issues.		

To evaluate student performance in their internships (CSC 195), an evaluation form is completed by the employer. Among other criteria, the form asks the employer to rate the student in terms of "Effective Oral Communication" and "Appropriate Use of Presentation Tools". The possible ratings are:

Outstanding

Above Average

Average

Below Average

Weak

Did Not Observe

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Q2.4. PLO	Q2.5. Stdrd	Q2.6. Rubric	Please indicate where you have published the PLO , the standard of performance, and the rubric that was used to measure the PLO:
4			1. In SOME course syllabi/assignments in the program that address the PLO
			2. In ALL course syllabi/assignments in the program that address the PLO
			3. In the student handbook/advising handbook
			4. In the university catalogue
			5. On the academic unit website or in newsletters
<	<		6. In the assessment or program review reports, plans, resources, or activities
			7. In new course proposal forms in the department/college/university
			8. In the department/college/university's strategic plans and other planning documents
			9. In the department/college/university's budget plans and other resource allocation documents
			10. Other, specify:

Question 3: Data Collection Methods and Evaluation of Data Quality for the Selected PLO

Q3.1.

Was assessment data/evidence **collected** for the selected PLO?

- 1. Yes
- O 2. No (skip to Q6)
- O 3. Don't know (skip to Q6)
- O 4. N/A (skip to Q6)

Q3.1.1.

How many assessment tools/methods/measures in total did you use to assess this PLO?

Q3.2.

Was the data **scored/evaluated** for this PLO?

• 1. Yes

O 2. No (skip to **Q6**)

O 3. Don't know (skip to Q6)

4. N/A (skip to Q6)

Q3.2.1.

Please describe how you collected the assessment data for the selected PLO. For example, in what course(s) or by what means were data collected:

As mentioned in Q1.2, the PLO was assessed in two courses: CSC191 (Senior Project- Part II) and CSC195 (Field Work). The details of the evaluation for each course are as follows.

CSC191 (Senior Project- Part II).

Student presentations of their senior projects were assessed at the end of Fall 2016 semester. All twelve project teams were evaluated. Three students from each team participated in the presentations. So, the total number of student presenters was 36 students.

Eight faculty members participated in the evaluation. Each faculty member completed the form shown in Q2.3 for the each presentation that he/she could attend. A total of 61 forms were completed. So, on average, each faculty evaluated 7.6 presentations.

The results of this evaluation are shown in Q4.1.

CSC195 (Field Work)

A survey (evluation form) was completed by employers of students who worked as interns in companies or state/federal agencies during their junior or senior year. Internships provide students with valuable work experience before they complete their B.S. degrees. At the completion of an internship, supervisors were asked to rate an intern's performance in a number of different

areas, including "Effective oral communication" and "Appropriate use of presentation tools". The evaluation in this cycle included all the students who did internships in Summer 2014, Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016 and Fall 2016. The total number of intern students included in the evaluation was 86.

The results are given in Q4.1.

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Question 3A: Direct Measures (key assignments, projects, portfolios, etc.)

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Were direct measures (key assignments, projects, portfolios, course work, student tests, etc.) used to assess this PLO? • 1. Yes

O 2. No (skip to Q3.7)

3. Don't know (skip to Q3.7)

Q3.3.1.

Which of the following direct measures (key assignments, projects, portfolios, course work, student tests, etc.) were used? [Check all that apply]

- 1. Capstone project (e.g. theses, senior theses), courses, or experiences
- 2. Key assignments from required classes in the program
- 3. Key assignments from elective classes
- \square 4. Classroom based performance assessment such as simulations, comprehensive exams, or critiques
- 5. External performance assessments such as internships or other community-based projects
- 6. E-Portfolios

7. Other Portfolios

8. Other, specify:			
Q3.3.2. Please provide the dire data, THEN explain ho	ect measure (key assigi w it assesses the PLO:	nments, projects, portfolios, course work, student tests, et	c.) you used to collect
The assessment metho	dology and direct meas	sures are described in Q2.3 and Q3.2.1.	
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What tool was used to e	evaluate the data?		
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 2. Used rubric dev 	eloped/modified by the	faculty who teaches the class (skip to Q3.4.2.)	
 3. Used rubric dev 	eloped/modified by a g	roup of faculty (skip to Q3.4.2.)	
 ○ 4. Used rubric pilo 	t-tested and refined by	a group of faculty (skip to Q3.4.2.)	
5. The VALUE rubr	ic(s) (skip to Q3.4.2.)		
6. Modified VALUE	rubric(s) (skip to Q3.4	.2.)	
 ✓ 7. Used other mea 	ns (Answer Q3.4.1.)		
Q3.4.1. If you used other mean 1. National discipli 2. General knowled 3. Other standardi 4. Other, specify: Q3.4.2. Was the rubric aligned 1. Yes 2. No 3. Don't know 4. N/A	ns, which of the followin nary exams or state/pr dge and skills measures zed knowledge and skil directly and explicitly n	ng measures was used? [Check all that apply] ofessional licensure exams (skip to Q3.4.4.) s (e.g. CLA, ETS PP, etc.) (skip to Q3.4.4.) I exams (e.g. ETC, GRE, etc.) (skip to Q3.4.4.) with the PLO?	(skip to Q3.4.4.)
Q3.4.3. Was the direct measu $ \bigcirc 1. Yes \\ \bigcirc 2. No \\ \bigcirc $	re (e.g. assignment, th	nesis, etc.) aligned directly and explicitly with the rubric?	
\bigcirc 3. Don't know			
∪ 4. N/A			
Q3.4.4. Was the direct measu	re (e.g. assignment, th	nesis, etc.) aligned directly and explicitly with the PLO?	

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• 1. Yes

O 2. No

O 3. Don't know

○ 4. N/A

Q3.5.

How many faculty members participated in planning the assessment data **collection** of the selected PLO?

Q3.5.1.

How many faculty members participated in the evaluation of the assessment data for the selected PLO?

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Q3.5.2.

If the data was evaluated by multiple scorers, was there a norming process (a procedure to make sure everyone was scoring similarly)?

O 1. Yes

• 2. No

O 3. Don't know

O 4. N/A

Q3.6.

How did you **select** the sample of student work (papers, projects, portfolios, etc.)? For CSC191, all senior project teams in Fall 2016 were evaluated.

For CSC195, all students who did internships between Summer 2014 and Fall 2016 were evaluated by their supervisors.

Q3.6.1.

How did you decide how many samples of student work to review?

For CSC191, ALL senior project teams in Fall 2016 were evaluated.

For CSC195, ALL students who did internships between Summer 2014 and Fall 2016 were evaluated by their supervisors.

Q3.6.2. How many students were in the class or program?

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For CSC191, 36 students

For CSC195, 86 students

Q3.6.3.

How many samples of student work did you evaluated? For CSC191, 12 senior projects

For CSC195, 86 students

Q3.6.4.

Was the sample size of student work for the direct measure adequate?

- 1. Yes
- O 2. No

O 3. Don't know

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Question 3B: Indirect Measures (surveys, focus groups, interviews, etc.)

Q3.7.

Were indirect measures used to assess the PLO?

O 1. Yes

O 2. No (skip to Q3.8)

3. Don't Know (skip to **Q3.8**)

Q3.7.1.

Which of the following indirect measures were used? [Check all that apply]
1. National student surveys (e.g. NSSE)
2. University conducted student surveys (e.g. OIR)
3. College/department/program student surveys or focus groups
4. Alumni surveys, focus groups, or interviews
5. Employer surveys, focus groups, or interviews
6. Advisory board surveys, focus groups, or interviews
7. Other, specify:
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Please explain and attach the indirect measure you used to collect data:

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Q3.7.2.

If surveys were used, how was the sample size decided?

Q3.7.3. If surveys were used, how did you select your sample:

Q3.7.4.

If surveys were used, what was the response rate?

Question 3C:	Other	Measures	(external	benchmarking,	licensing	exams,
standardized	tests,	etc.)				

Q3.8.

Were external benchmarking data, such as licensing exams or standardized tests, used to assess the PLO?

- O 1. Yes
- 2. No (skip to Q3.8.2)
- 3. Don't Know (skip to **Q3.8.2**)

Q3.8.1.

Which of the following measures was used? [Check all that apply]
1. National disciplinary exams or state/professional licensure exams
\Box 2. General knowledge and skills measures (e.g. CLA, ETS PP, etc.)
\Box 3. Other standardized knowledge and skill exams (e.g. ETC, GRE, etc.)
4. Other, specify:
Q3.8.2. Were other measures used to assess the PLO?

- O 2. No (skip to Q4.1)
- 3. Don't know (skip to Q4.1)

Q3.8.3.

If other measures were used, please specify:

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Question 4: Data, Findings, and Conclusions

Q4.1.

Please provide simple tables and/or graphs to summarize the assessment data, findings, and conclusions for the selected PLO in Q2.1:

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The table below shows the results of the senior project oral presentation evaluation. For each evaluated criterion, the table shows the total number of responses, the number and percentage of ratings meeting the expectation (3 out of 4 in the form) or exceeding the expectation (4 out of 4 in the form). The total number of responses varies slightly (from 57 to 61), because some evaluators did not rate all criteria (they left some boxes blank). The table shows that the percentage of ratings meeting or exceeding the expectation ranges from 82% to 98%, which is well above the 70% target. Therefore, student oral presentation skills meet the performance standards for all evaluated criteria.

Table 1: Results of Senior Project Oral Presentation Evaluation by Faculty

Performance Indicator			
ORGANIZATION	Total Responses	Ratings Meeting or Exceeding Expectation	% Ratings Meeting or Exceeding Expectation
ORGANIZES content logically and sequentially.	61	60	98 %
MAIN points are clearly IDENTIFIED and concisely PRESENTED.	61	58	95 %
TRANSITIONS are logical and smooth.	59	54	92 %

Provides CLEAR DESCRIPTION of project.	60	54	90 %
STYLE and DELIVERY			
Attracts and holds INTEREST of audience.	61	51	84 %
SPEAKS clearly, distinctly, and with sufficient volume.	61	54	89 %
Presents material effectively with CONFIDENCE and enthusiasm.	60	51	85 %
Maintains EYE CONTACT throughout presentation.	61	50	82 %
LANGUAGE and VOCABULARY			

Appropriate use of VOCABULARY. Accurate use of TECHNICAL terms and phrases.	57	56	98 %
Consistently follows rules of Standard ENGLISH.	60	57	95 %
COMMUNICATION OF TECHNICAL CONTENT			
Explain HOW the software SOLVES the sponsor's problem or SATISFIES the sponsor's needs.	59	50	85 %
Present and describe the software as DEFINED.	59	50	85 %
Describe the key TESTING issues.	60	53	88 %

Table 2 shows the results for intern student evaluations by their supervisors. As mentioned in Q2.3, the survey completed by the supervisors included two criteria that are related to oral communication: effective oral presentation and appropriate use of presentation tools. The results in the table show that 100% of the students included in the study received ratings of Average or better in both criteria. An Average rating meets the performance target. However, the results are even better than that. The table shows that the percentage of students who received ratings of "Above Average" or "Outstanding" is 89.5% in "Effective oral presentation" and 87.8% in "Appropriate use of presentation tools". These results strongly indicate that our students' supervisors were generally very satisfied with our students' oral presentation skills during their internships.

Table 2: Results of Interr	Student Evaluation	by Supervisors
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Criterion	Outstanding	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Weak	Did not Observe	% Meeting Target
Effective oral presentation	46	31	9	0	0	0	100%
Appropriate use of presentation tools	33	25	8	0	0	20	100%

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Q4.2.

Are students doing well and meeting the program standard? If not, how will the program work to improve student performance of the selected PLO?

As discussed in Q4.1, the assessment results for both methods show that the percentage of students meeting or exceeding the performance standards is well above the target percentage of 70%. For senior project presentations, the percentages ranged from 82% to 98%. For interns, the percentages were 100% for both criteria. See Q4.1 for more details.

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Q4.3.

- For the selected PLO, the student performance:
- 1. Exceeded expectation/standard
- O 2. Met expectation/standard
- 3. Partially met expectation/standard
- 4. Did not meet expectation/standard
- 5. No expectation/standard has been specified
- 6. Don't know

Question 4A: Alignment and Quality

Q4.4.

Did the data, including the direct measures, from all the different assessment tools/measures/methods directly align with the PLO?

1. Yes

○ 2. No

O 3. Don't know

Q4.5.

Were all the assessment tools/measures/methods that were used good measures of the PLO?

1. Yes

- O 2. No
- O 3. Don't know

Question 5: Use of Assessment Data (Closing the Loop)

Q5.1.

As a result of the assessment effort and based on prior feedback from OAPA, do you anticipate *making any changes* for your program (e.g. course structure, course content, or modification of PLOs)?

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- 2. No (skip to Q5.2)
- O 3. Don't know (skip to Q5.2)

Q5.1.1.

Please describe *what changes* you plan to make in your program as a result of your assessment of this PLO. Include a description of how you plan to assess the impact of these changes.

Q5.1.2.

Do you have a plan to assess the impact of the changes that you anticipate making?

O 1. Yes

O 2. No

O 3. Don't know

Q5.2.

Since your last assessment report, how have the assessment data from then been used so far?		2. Quite a Bit	3. Some	4. Not at All	5. N/A
1. Improving specific courses	0	۲	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
2. Modifying curriculum	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲	\bigcirc
3. Improving advising and mentoring	0	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
4. Revising learning outcomes/goals	0	0	\bigcirc	۲	\bigcirc
5. Revising rubrics and/or expectations	0	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
6. Developing/updating assessment plan	0	0	0	۲	0
7. Annual assessment reports	۲	0	0	0	\bigcirc
8. Program review	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲	0	\bigcirc
9. Prospective student and family information	0	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
10. Alumni communication	0	0	\bigcirc	0	۲
11. WSCUC accreditation (regional accreditation)	0	۲	\bigcirc	0	\bigcirc
12. Program accreditation	۲	0	0	0	\bigcirc
13. External accountability reporting requirement	0	0	0	0	۲
14. Trustee/Governing Board deliberations	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲
15. Strategic planning					

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16. Institutional benchmarking	0	0	0	\bigcirc	۲
17. Academic policy development or modifications	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲
18. Institutional improvement	0	0	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲
19. Resource allocation and budgeting	0	۲	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
20. New faculty hiring		0	۲	\bigcirc	\bigcirc
21. Professional development for faculty and staff		0	۲	0	0
22. Recruitment of new students		\bigcirc	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲
23. Other, specify:					

Q5.2.1.

Please provide a detailed example of how you used the assessment data above:

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Indicator A-7 (Understand and apply the logic programming paradigm) was not meeting the target in Fall 2015. Only 64% of the students met the performance standards. This indicator is evaluated in CSC135.

In Fall 2016, the instructor of CSC 135 implemented the following change.

He added an additional two-question quiz on logic programming. In the next day, he went over the quiz results and the proper way of solving the problems. The instructor then did the reassessment in two sections separately.

The percentages of students meeting the standards for this indicator were 80% in the first section and 73% in the other section. Both percentages are above the 70% target.

Therefore, both sections met the minimum standards independently. The results indicate that learning was improved compared to the previous assessment period.

Indicator A-10 (Understand network architecture, layered model, and protocol stacks) was not meeting the target in Fall 2015. Only 65% of the students met the performance standards. This indicator is evaluated in CSC138. In Fall 2016, the instructor of CSC138 implemented the following change.

The instructor noted that students may get overwhelmed with the details of one network layer if that layer is not compared with other layers. So, she related and compared each network layer under study with other layers, by explaining for example the corresponding protocols that may be used in other layers. At the end of the semester, she summarized the entire network architecture by providing a concrete scenario that shows the activities and protocols at each layer.

In Fall 2016, the percentage of students meeting the performance standards for this indicator was 79%, which is well above the target.

Indicator B-2 (Understand and apply requirements engineering process) was not meeting the target in Fall 2015. Only 65% of the students met the performance standards. This indicator is evaluated in CSC131.

In Fall 2016, the instructor of CSC131 implemented the following change:

The instructor provided in-depth lectures on the requirement engineering (RE) process. He had students practice the materials in various in-class exercises and homework assignments. He tested students' progress in the midterm exam and provided students with detailed feedback and corrections. He also reviewed the material before the final exam.

In Fall 2016, the percentage of students meeting the performance standards for this indicator was 91%, which is well above the target.

Indicator C-1 (Understand and use software metrics) was not meeting the target in Fall 2015. Only 54% of the students met the performance standards. This indicator is evaluated in CSC131.

In Fall 2016, the instructor implemented the following change:

The instructor provided in-depth lectures on software engineering metrics. He had students practice the materials in various in-class exercises and homework assignments. He provided examples and demonstrations on code coverage He tested students' progress in quizzes and provided students with detailed feedback and corrections. He also reviewed the material before the final exam.

In Fall 2016, the percentage of students meeting the performance standards for this indicator was 90%, which is well above the target.

Q5.3. To what extent did you apply last year's feedback from the Office of Academic Program Assessment in the following areas?		2. Quite a bit	3. Some	4. Not at All	5. N/A
1. Program Learning Outcomes	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲	0	\bigcirc
2. Standards of Performance	\bigcirc	0	0	۲	\bigcirc
3. Measures	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	۲	\bigcirc	0
4. Rubrics	\bigcirc	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
5. Alignment	\bigcirc	\bigcirc	0	۲	\bigcirc
6. Data Collection	0	0	0	۲	\bigcirc
7. Data Analysis and Presentation	\bigcirc	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
8. Use of Assessment Data	\bigcirc	0	۲	0	\bigcirc
9. Other, please specify:	0	0	0	0	0

Q5.3.1.

Please share with us an example of how you applied **last year's feedback** from the Office of Academic Program Assessment in any of the areas above:

In this year's report, we have made an effort to clearly describe the measures and rubrics that we have used in the assessment. We have also tried to clearly define the standard for "satisfactory performance".

We have also considered modifying the PLOs to use action verbs, but this requires departmental dicussion and approval. We plan on pursuing this in the next year 2017/2018.

(Remember: Save your progress)

Additional Assessment Activities

Q6.

Many academic units have collected assessment data on aspect of their program *that are not related to the PLOs* (i.e. impacts of an advising center, etc.). If your program/academic unit has collected data on program *elements*, please briefly report your results here:

Q7.

What PLO(s) do you plan to assess next year? [Check all that apply]

1. Critical Thinking

- 2. Information Literacy
- 3. Written Communication

	4. Oral Communication
	5. Quantitative Literacy
	6. Inquiry and Analysis
	7. Creative Thinking
	8. Reading
	9. Team Work
	10. Problem Solving
	11. Civic Knowledge and Engagement
	12. Intercultural Knowledge, Competency, and Perspectives
✓	13. Ethical Reasoning
	14. Foundations and Skills for Lifelong Learning
	15. Global Learning and Perspectives
	16. Integrative and Applied Learning
	17. Overall Competencies for GE Knowledge
	18. Overall Disciplinary Knowledge
	19. Professionalism
	20. Other, specify any PLOs not included above:
a.	
b.	
c.	
Q8.	Please attach any additional files here:
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Q8.1.

Have you attached any files to this form? If yes, please list every attached file here: Assessment Plan

Curriculum Map	

Program Information (Required)

Program:

(If you typed your program name at the beginning, please skip to Q10)

Q9.

rogram/Concentration Name: [skip if program name appears above]	
3S Computer Science	
010.	
report Author(s):	

Ghassan Shobaki

Q10.1.

Department Chair/Program Director:

Cui Zhang

Q10.2.

Assessment Coordinator: Ghassan Shobaki

Q11.

Department/Division/Program of Academic Unit Computer Science

Q12.

College:

College of Engineering and Computer Science

Q13.

Fotal enrollment for Academic Uni	it during assessment semester	(see Departmental Fact Book):
583		

Q14.

Program Type:

(•) 1.	Undergraduate	baccalaureate	maior
			ondergradate	baccaraarcarc	major

O 2. Credential

O 3. Master's Degree

4. Doctorate (Ph.D./Ed.D./Ed.S./D.P.T./etc.)

5. Other, specify:

Q15. Number of undergraduate degree programs the academic unit has?

2

3

Q15.1. List all the names:

BS in computer science (submitted here) BS in computer engineering, joint program with electrical engineering (to be submitted separately) Only CS is submitted here. CE to be submitted separately.

Q15.2. How many concentrations appear on the diploma for this undergraduate program?

Q16. Number of master's degree programs the academic unit has?

Q16.1. List all the names:

Computer Science

Computer Engineering

Software Engineering

Q16.2. How many concentrations appear on the diploma for this master's program?

Q17. Number of credential programs the academic unit has?

Q17.1. List all the names:

Q18. Number of doctorate degree programs the academic unit has?

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Q18.1. List all the names:

When was your assessment plan	1. Before 2011-12	2. 2012-13	3. 2013-14	4. 2014-15	5. 2015-16	6. 2016-17	7. No Plan	8. Don't know
Q19. developed?	۲	0	0	0	0	0	0	\bigcirc
Q19.1. last updated?	\bigcirc	0	0	۲	0	0	0	0

Q19.2. (REQUIRED)

Please obtain and attach your latest assessment plan:



Q20.

Has your program developed a curriculum map?

O 1. Yes

2. No
3. Don't know

Q20.1.

Please obtain and attach your latest curriculum map:



Q21.

Has your program indicated in the curriculum map where assessment of student learning occurs?

O 1. Yes

• 2. No

O 3. Don't know

Q22.

Does your pro	ogram have	a capstone	class?

- 1. Yes, indicate: CSC 190/191
- O 2. No
- O 3. Don't know

Q22.1.

Does your program have any capstone project?

• 1. Yes

- O 2. No
- O 3. Don't know

(Remember: Save your progress)

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To evaluate student oral presentations for the senior project (CSC191 Part II), the following evaluation form was used. This form was completed by the faculty members who have participated in the evaluation as detailed in Q3.2.1. (**RUBRIC BELOW**)

Computer Science			Evaluat	Oral Communication Evaluation				
Course: CSC 191		Instructor: R. Buckley				Date: December 9, 2016		
Team Name:		Evaluator:	Facul ty	Instruct or	Stude nt		Industry Rep	

To evaluate student performance in their internships (CSC 195), an evaluation form is completed by the employer. Among other criteria, the form asks the employer to rate the student in terms of "Effective Oral Communication" and "Appropriate Use of Presentation Tools". The possible ratings are:

Outstanding

Above Average

Average

Below Average

Weak

Did Not Observe

Group Ratings (Team as a Whole) - Check				
Appropriate Column				
ORGANIZATION	1 – Below Expectations	2 – Minimally Meets Criteria	3 – Meets Criteria	4 – Exceeds Criteria
ORGANIZES content logically and sequentially.				
MAIN points are clearly IDENTIFIED and concisely PRESENTED.				
TRANSITIONS are logical and smooth.				
Provides CLEAR DESCRIPTION of project.				
STYLE and DELIVERY				
Attracts and holds INTEREST of audience.				
SPEAKS clearly, distinctly, and with sufficient volume.				
Presents material effectively with CONFIDENCE and enthusiasm.				
Maintains EYE CONTACT throughout presentation.				

LANGUAGE and VOCABULARY		
Appropriate use of VOCABULARY. Accurate use of TECHNICAL terms and phrases.		
Consistently follows rules of Standard ENGLISH.		
COMMUNICATION OF TECHNICAL CONTENT		
Explain HOW the software SOLVES the sponsor's problem or SATISFIES the sponsor's needs.		
Present and describe the software as DEFINED.		
Describe the key TESTING issues.		

Year	Outcomes Assessed (Abbreviated Form)	Courses	Data Collected	Continuous Improvement		
Year 1 (2015-2016)	(a) Application of fundamental knowledge	CSC 130, 133, 134, 135, 137, 138, and 139		Analyze results of assessment of SOs (a)- (d) and make recommendations for the		
	(b) Computer system development cycle	CSC 131, 137, 138, 139, and 190/191	Direct assessment in course-embedded exam questions, assignments,	that are below the standard (target success rate of 70%).		
	(c) Application of software development principles	CSC 131, 133, 138, and 190/191	and projects Supervisor evaluation of student interns	Implement previous year's faculty recommendations for performance indicators for SOs (g) and (h) that are below minimum and re-assess these indicators.		
	(d) Application of skills, techniques, and tools for computing practice	CSC 133, 134, 135, 137, 139, and 195/195A				
Year 2 (2016-2017)	(e) Team work	CSC 131, 190/ 191, and 195/195A	Instructor evaluation Student self-assessment and reflection Supervisor evaluation of student interns	Analyze results of assessment of SO (e) and SO (f) and make recommendations for performance indicators below standard.		
	(f) Oral Communication	CSC 131, 190/191, and 195/195A	Faculty evaluation of student oral presentations using a rubric Supervisor evaluation of student interns	Implement previous year's faculty recommendations for performance indicators for SOs (a) - (d) that are below minimum and, re- assess these indicators.		
Year 3 (2017-2018)	(g) Professional, ethical, and security issues and responsibilities	CSC 138, 190/191, and 195/195A; PHIL 103	Course-embedded exam questions Student surveys Faculty evaluation of written essays Supervisor evaluation of student interns	Analyze results of assessment of SO (g) and SO (h) and make recommendations for performance indicators below standard. Implement previous		
	(h) Written communication	CSC 190/191 and 195/195A	Faculty evaluation of written reports using a rubric Supervisor evaluation of student interns	recommendations for performance indicators for SO (e) and SO (f) that are below minimum and. re-assess these indicators.		

B.S. Computer Science Three-Year Assessment Plan for Student Outcomes

The expected level of attainment for each of the student outcomes.

For each performance indicator, the percentage of student responses meeting or exceeding the performance standard is computed. Then, for each outcome, the average of the percentages for all relevant performance indicators is computed. If the average percentage for an outcome is greater than or equal to 70%, the outcome is considered to be satisfied. Although, in the past, the minimum standard was set at 75%, the faculty decided in 2013-2014 to use a 70% standard since it is common practice to consider a score of 70% to be a passing grade.

Correspondence between Upper Division Required Courses and Student Outcomes

Outcomes	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
CSC 130	X			X				
CSC 131	Х	Х	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	Х
CSC 133	Х	X	X	X				
CSC 134	Х			Х				
CSC 135	Х	Х	X	X				
CSC 137	Х	Х		X				
CSC 138	Х	Х	X	Х		Х		
CSC 139	Х	Х		Х		Х		
CSC 190/191	Х	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	X
CSC 192 & CSC 194						Х	Х	
CSC 195 & CSC 195A	Х	Х	X	X	X	Х	X	X
CSC 198 & CSC 199	Х	X		X		X		

	Performance Indicator	Core Course
	a-1. Understand fundamental algorithms and essential data structures.	CSC 130
	a-2. Understand trade-offs in the selection of algorithms and data structures.	CSC 130
	a-3. Understand and apply mathematical transformations and algorithms for 2D graphics.	CSC 133
(a) Apply fundamental knowledge of mathematics, algorithmic principles, computer theory, and principles of computing systems in the modeling and design of	a-4. Understand and use relational databases.	CSC 134
	a-5. Understand distinctive features of the design of programming languages.	CSC 135
	a-6. Demonstrate knowledge of abstract machines, languages, and grammars.	CSC 135
	a-7. Understand and apply the logic programming paradigm.	CSC 135
	a-8. Understand and apply the functional programming paradigm.	CSC 135
demonstrate an understanding of tradeoffs involved in design choices.	a-9. Demonstrate the ability to calculate performance parameters, such as, circuit propagation delay, memory latency, speedup, etc.	CSC 137
	a-10. Understand network architecture, layered model, and protocol stacks.	CSC 138
	a-11. Demonstrate the working knowledge of network management including monitoring, measurement, analysis, and control.	CSC 138
	a-12. Understand principles of concurrency and tradeoffs in synchronization approaches, analysis, and control.	CSC 139
	a-13. Understand deadlocks and their solutions.	CSC 139
	a-14. Understand principles of resource management.	CSC 139

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		Understand and apply modeling and analysis techniques.	CSC 131, 190/191
	b-2.	Understand and apply requirements engineering process.	CSC 131, 190/191
(b) Analyze a problem, specify the	b-3.	Understand and apply design principles.	CSC 131*, 190/191
	b-4.	Understand and apply proper testing techniques	CSC 131*, 190/191
and evaluate a computer-based system, process, component, or	b-5.	Understand and apply project management processes and tools.	CSC 131, 190/191
program that satisfies the requirements.	b-6.	Demonstrate the ability to design and analyze basic and complex hardware components.	CSC 137
	b-7.	Understand and apply error detection and correction, flow control, and congestion control principles.	CSC 138
		Understand and apply synchronization mechanisms to the critical section problem and to the process coordination.	CSC 139
	c-1.	Understand and use software metrics.	CSC 131
	c-2.	Understand and use object-oriented design.	CSC 131*, 133
	c-3.	Understand and use design patterns.	CSC 133
(c) Apply design and development principles in the construction of	c-4.	Understand and use verification and validation techniques.	CSC 131, 190/191
complexity.	c-5.	Understand and apply documentation standards.	CSC 131, 190/191
	с-б.	Understand and apply semi-formal modeling languages, such as, UML, in requirement specification and design.	CSC 190/191
	c-7.	Demonstrate the ability to develop communication protocols and networking applications.	CSC 138
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	d-1.	Implement event-driven GUI applications.	CSC 133
	d-2.	Demonstrate competence in using SQL.	CSC 134
(d) Use current skills, techniques,	d-3.	Demonstrate competence in programming in a variety of programming paradigms.	CSC 135
practice.	d-4.	Demonstrate competence in language scanning and parsing.	CSC 135
	d-5.	Demonstrate the ability to use hardware design simulation tools.	CSC 137
		Demonstrate competence in system programming in Unix/Linux environments.	CSC 139
	e-1	Cooperate and collaborate as a team member.	CSC 191
(e) Function effectively as a team to accomplish a common goal.	e-2.	Communicate and listen; keep teammates informed.	CSC 191
	e-3.	Face conflicts and resolve most differences.	CSC 191
		Contribute equally as a participant in the project.	CSC 191
(f) Understand professional, ethical,		Know, understand, and practice professional codes of conduct (*i.e., ACM Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct, IEEE Code of Ethics, ACM/IEEE Software Engineering Code of Ethics and Professional Practice.)	PHIL 103, CSC 190/191
and security issues and responsibilities.	f-2	Understand need for and use of proper security features.	CSC 138
	f-3.	Be able to evaluate the ethical dimensions of a computer solution to a problem.	PHIL 103
	f-4.	Understand moral and ethical dimensions of a computer solution to a problem.	PHIL 103

	g-1.	Focus – responds to the questions asked.	CSC 191
	g-2.	Structure – well-organized, consistent style, and smooth transitions	CSC 191
(g) Write effectively.	g-3	Sentence Structure – use of language: clearly communicates ideas, uses correct syntax, grammar, and spelling. Word Choice – use and placement of words are appropriate.	CSC 191
	g-4.	Paragraph Structure – well-written paragraphs on topic and understandable.	CSC 191
	g-5.	Problem Statement – objective, nature of challenges, and value of project are clear; purpose is clear.	CSC 191
	g-6.	Design Requirements – specifications complete and design constraints	CSC 191
	h-1.	Effective style and delivery.	CSC 131, 191
	h-2.	Correct language and vocabulary	CSC 131, 191
(h) Give effective oral presentations.	h-3.	Good organization	CSC 131, 191
	h-4.	Clear communication of technical content	CSC 131, 191
	h-5.	Project related issues	CSC 191