



Core Objectives Assessment Team (COAT)

Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 14, 2013
3:00 PM – 5:00 PM, CHEC – 225

- 1. Assessment Day:** The Team voted that everyone will read prompts/instructions in order to create consistency and inter-rater reliability. The question was raised again about how the data would be presented. A subcommittee was formed to look at TW since that will have issues. It was decided by the Team that all students should be separate data points.
- 2. Spring Assessment 2013:** Notification was sent at the end of fall 2012 to all faculty whose classes are a part of the spring assessment. Deans, VP/Ps, Chairs and Discipline Leads were all copied on the notification.
- 3. Associate Faculty Conference:** The Associate Faculty Conference is March 2nd. COAT will be hosting Round Tables “How We Teach . . .” The discussion centered on whether or not to offer all six objectives or only the three that are being assessed in 2013-14. The decision was tabled until the February meeting
- 4. Fall 2013:** We introduced the new assessment schedule 3+3 at the Discipline Lead meeting. Most of that meeting centered around how far in advance would people know that their course was part of the sample. Currently, we are not sure what all will be in the Core, so it is difficult to give too much lead time. As the new objectives become more familiar, a shorter lead time may be possible.

Many faculty are upset by the “and” in the Communication objective. COAT created a subcommittee to create a single Communication rubric to help eliminate some of the confusion.

COAT voted to switch Social Responsibility and Communication in the Assessment Cycle that begins 2013-14 so that one of the Core Objectives required by all Foundational Component Areas would always be in a cycle. (Critical Thinking-2013/14; Communication Skills-2014/15)

This discussion led to a discussion regarding Social Responsibility and “How do we teach it?” This included some discussion that came out of the workshop on the same subject at the Faculty Development Conference.

- 5. Board of Trustees presentation:** The Co-Chairs of COAT will be giving a brief presentation regarding our roles and responsibilities on January 22nd.
- 6. Calendar:** The Team voted to continue to have alternating meetings M/T to ensure that everyone is able to attend meetings at some point in the semester depending on their class schedule. Meetings will continue to start at 4:00 at CHEC. We will choose the Assessment Days at the February meeting.

A request was made to Leadership that any summer service on COAT (May-August), regardless of the actual date of the COAT meeting, would count as college summer service.

7. **“Artifact” vs “student work”**: Although many assessment methods use the word “artifact,” COAT will use the words “student work” when referring to any assignment that the Team assesses to help alleviate confusion among faculty.

8. **Future Business:**

- Look at your calendar so we can pick Assessment Days.
- Volunteers for “How We TeachRound Tables on March 2

9. **Next COAT meeting:** February 12, 2012 at 4:00 pm in CHEC 107

COAT 1.14.13 3pm

Brett Adams

Bryan Rasmussen

Cameron Neal

Meghan Cordwell-Lieser

Tyler Young

Diana C. Gingo

Shawna Masters

Alan Sauter

DEAN WALLACE

Mike McKee

Shannon Kearns-Simmons

SEARLY SMITH

Mike Collich

Rich DeKouen

Mike Winslow

Kerry Byrnes

Jenny Warren

Zack Shipley

Clad Pearson

Rajasree Kannampuzhe

Cynthia Shields

Carlton Clark

W. R. W. W.
Natalia Robinson

Pat Pierson

Melony Miyamoto Walters

Karan Hanuman
Over →)

Catie Boels
Marta Francis

Kathleen Fenton

Wendy Gunnery

Sudha Madhugiri

Phyllis Weir

John Glas

Kimberly Curran

Dawn Richardson

TW

Zach Shipley
Martha Frances

Jerry

Sudha

Catie

Madhugiri