



Core Objectives Assessment Team (COAT)

Meeting Minutes

September 23, 2014
4:00 – 4:40 PM, CHEC – 225

1. **9th Annual Outcomes and Assessment Conference:** Information was provided to attendees about this conference.
2. **Rubric Subcommittee Reports:** Two subcommittees have been formed to review the Social Responsibility and Critical Thinking rubrics.

The Social Responsibility subcommittee will recommend that a footnote be added for the third rubric criterion, regarding "engagement in regional, national and global communities." The addition will note that, while the core curriculum as a whole addresses all three levels of community engagement (with examples of courses that direct attention to each), student artifacts submitted for assessment purposes need not be addressing more than one level of "community." Modifications will also be made to the descriptions of each performance level on that criterion to accommodate this interpretation.



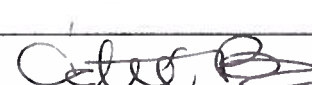


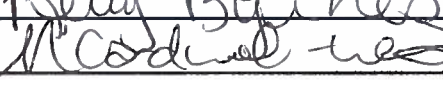


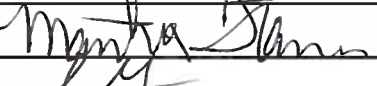


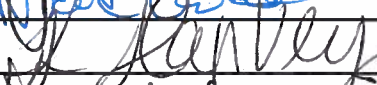
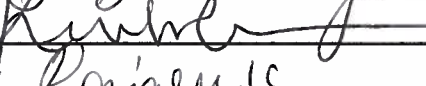
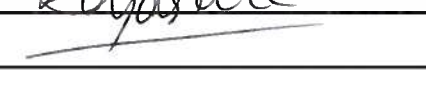
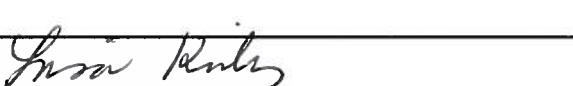
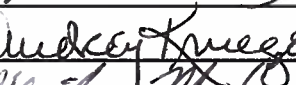
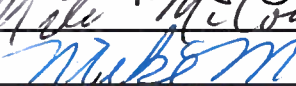
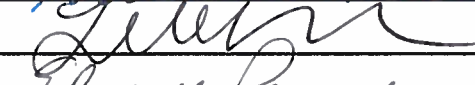
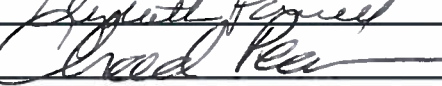


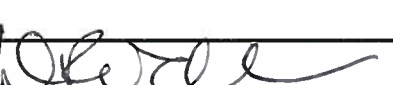

The Critical Thinking subcommittee will provide comments at our next meeting.

3. **CIP / Closing the Loop:** The CIP initiative this year has two parts to it. The first part addresses improvement of student learning and solicits feedback from faculty on current learning activities or assessment measures either for the Social Responsibility objective (for those courses responsible for that core skill) or for the Communications Skills objective (for all other courses), as well as ideas for new learning activities (or improvements to existing activities) that could enhance student performance in those core objectives. The collected input from that request will be channeled into a session at the spring faculty development day (with a post-session response sheet that seeks measurable feedback) devoted to discussion of effective learning activities and assessment measures for the Social Responsibility objective.

The second part of the CIP addresses refinement of rubrics. When COAT initially developed Collin's core assessment rubrics, suggested rubrics from Liberal Education & America's Promise (LEAP, part of the Association of American Colleges & Universities) were used as guides to that effort. Since the initial rubrics were developed, COAT has regularly reviewed individual rubrics, making adjustments where needed to improve the usefulness of each rubric here at Collin. Faculty feedback has been solicited on ways in which individual elements of the Social Responsibility objective are interpreted in different disciplines and courses. That input will be used to inform the review of the Social Responsibility rubric currently being conducted by a subcommittee (see item #2 above).

4. **Faculty Development Session(s):** COAT members are in the process of finalizing two sessions: one will address interpretation of rubric vocabulary; a second will be a hands-on demonstration of the assessment process. A third workshop will address the use of assessment rubrics and development of learning activities and/or assessment measures for selected core objectives. The third workshop will incorporate input from closing the loop. COAT members were encouraged to join the above sessions and or propose additional sessions. Members were instructed to contact Kimberly Harris, Faculty Development Coordinator, with any proposals.

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