

Fast Facts: So You Know...

Program Learning Outcomes Assessment Overview

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 Drawn from a review of the program improvement plans submitted in May 2012.

1. How are we assessing students?

Some are using...

...an embedded assignment	22/64	34%
...a project	12/64	19%
...an exam	11/64	17%
...a presentation	5/64	8%
...a portfolio	5/64	8%

Several others report using artifacts, case studies, and simulations. These reports are also not mutually exclusive.

2. What kinds of resources are we using?

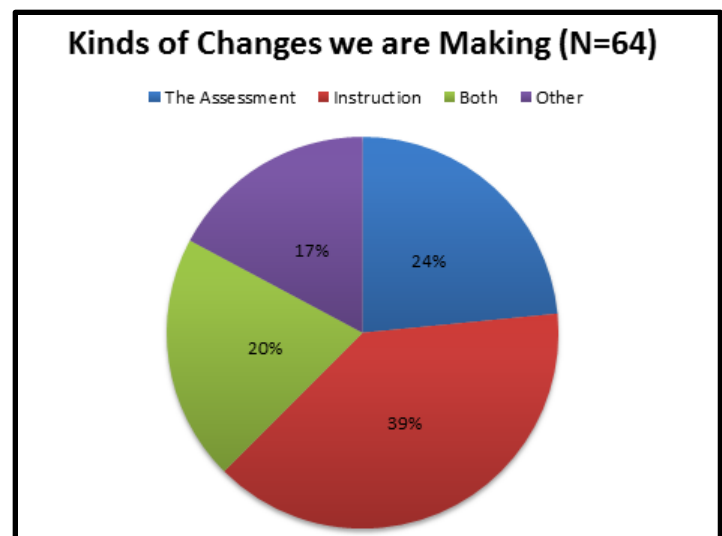
Improvement plans documented that we are using...

...internally-developed rubrics	47/64	30%
... external reviewers evaluate student work	9/64	14%
...checklists	6/64	9%
...peer review rubrics for students	4/64	3%

Several report using other methods (reflection, student self-assessment, and externally developed rubrics.) These reports regarding rubrics and related approaches are not mutually exclusive.

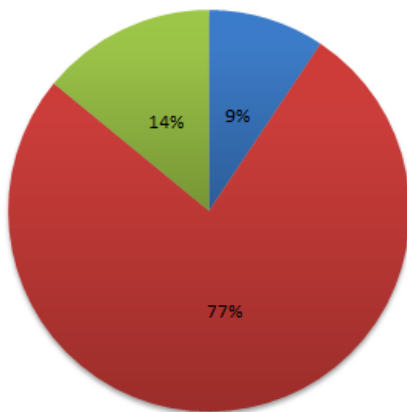
3. What kinds of changes are we making?

25 / 64 to instruction 39%
 15 / 64 to the assessment 24%
 13/ 64 to both the instruction and the assessment 20%
 11/64 fell outside of these categories 17%
 (new programs, being taught out, not explicitly stated)



How Student Work is Selected (N=64)

■ Samples ■ Cohorts ■ Not Clearly Stated



4. How do we identify the work to be assessed?

49/64 reported they are assessing cohorts of students (i.e. through capstones) 77%

6/64 reported they are student samples using some form of randomization 9%

9/64 did not specify 14%

5. Where are we assessing student work?

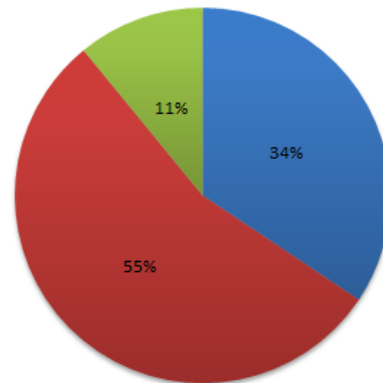
35/64 reported assessing in their courses 55%

22/64 reported assessing in their capstones 34%

7/64 do not fall into either group 11%

Where We are Assessing (N=64)

■ Capstones ■ Courses ■ Other



Interested in seeing the detailed plans for a specific program?

All program plans (from fall 2011) and improvement plans (from spring 2012) are posted here: www.valenciacollege.edu/VIA - Valencia Institutional Assessment -> LOA tab