Priority Sponsor: "Who is the action plan leader?" Julie Furst-Bowe

UW-Stout University Priority Initiated Fall 2002

Expected Completion:

University Priority

Priority Name – Assessment (AQIP Project)

One to two sentences summarizing the answer to the question: "What solution are you proposing?"

Develop a framework for student learning assessment and develop/implement a process to measure the value created by the e-scholar program.

Linkage to Strategic Plans *University of Wisconsin-Stout Strategic Plan* Goal 1: Offer high-quality, challenging academic programs that influence and respond to a changing society. Goal 2: Promote and enhance our educational processes through the application of active learning principles.

Goal 3: Promote excellence in teaching, research, scholarship and service.

Statement of the Issue:

One to two sentences summarizing the answer to the question: "What issue are you trying to solve?"

We currently do not have an adequate framework for student learning assessment, nor have we yet developed/implemented a process to measure the value created by the e-scholar program.

Note: Academic Quality Improvement Project (AQIP) is a new model of accreditation by the North Central Association (NCA) Higher Learning Commission based on a model of continuous improvement. For more information, visit the website at www.AQIP.org.

| Action Plan: | Responsible: | Tin | neline: |
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| Write 3 – 5 high level steps needed to accomplish the priority statement above. <i>"What has to be done for this priority to succeed?"</i> | | | ific target pletion |
| Review assessment models from other campuses; utilize best practices | Assoc VC/ Assessment Coordinator Assessment Committee | | Winter 02 |
| Develop an assessment framework for the campus that focuses on limited set of education categories (examples include professional education, technical education, general education) | Assoc VC/ Assessment Coordinator Assessment Committee | | Winter 02 |
| Assess E-Scholar and technology advantage; what is the added value | Assessment Coordinator E-scholar Assessment Committee | | Summer 06 |
| Provide faculty and staff with necessary information and training to adopt AQIP evaluation processes. | Assoc VC | | Spring 03 |
| Establish an Assessment and Continuous Improvement Center | Assoc VC | | Jan 03 |

Implication for Resources:

"What is needed for this priority to succeed?" (Human, fiscal, physical, other)

- Salary for assessment coordinator
- Funding for standardized exams, other assessment instruments
- Center Director, support staff, grad assistant, service & supplies

Key Measures of Performance:

Identify no more than six critical Measures of Performance when answering the question: *"What information will be collected to benchmark and measure the priority's success?"*

- Assessment framework developed and distributed
- Center self-supporting by 2005
- E-scholar assessment plan developed and implemented (data collected) *Plan developed, data collection in progress*

| Assessment Measures | Timeline |
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| Student Questionnaire Surveys | 1 time a year |
| Analysis of student essay grades | 1 time a year |
| Analysis of pass rates in laptop courses | 2 times a year |
| Utilize data from existing UW-Stout surveys | various |
| Student and Faculty/Staff Focus groups | 2 times a year |
| One-Minute Laptop Assessment Survey | 1 time a year |
| Microsoft Office Proficiency Self Assessment | 2 times a year |
| Training & Expectation Survey | 2 times a year |

- Number of faculty/staff who participate in information and training sessions There have been 6 AQIP/Assessment Information/training sessions in 2002-03 with another 6 scheduled this Spring semester.
- Number of faculty/staff who participate in assessment activities

| Major Assessment - # of program directors | 40 |
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| General Education Assessment | 15 |
| General Ed: Technology Category Assessment | 8 |
| Laptop/e-Scholar Assessment | |