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SLO News and Updates

At Flex Day 2013, Todd Matosic and Mary-Jo Apigo lead the breakout sessions, “SLOs: Bringing the Students In” that focussed on student engagement with SLOs. We shared ways of making student connections to SLOs and detailed how faculty can connect the dots with courses and student learning outcomes. The sessions included a role-playing exercise to help inform students about all levels of SLOs (course, program, and institutional).

Last month, West faculty, along with representatives from the District schools, participated in a demonstration by CurricUNET at the District Office. We viewed the curriculum module as a potential replacement for the ECD (Electronic Curriculum Development) System. The afternoon session included a demo of the program review and student learning outcomes assessment modules. Campus researchers will work with Maury Pearl on a list of data elements for program review consideration. Deborah Harrington has agreed to follow up with similar information from the SLO Coordinators. Both wish lists will be forwarded to CurricUNET, so they can begin reviewing for feasibility.

The SLO Committee is reviewing Institutional SLO assessment data from the last two years and ISLOs around the District schools. We will be reviewing West’s current ISLOs and begin discussing updating them. The District SLOAC has begun discussions about possibly having the same ISLOs across the District campuses.

Faculty are also reporting on course and program SLO assessment in Program Review, which is currently underway. This process includes reporting on actions planned and taken (in the prior year) and indicating if the result of assessment leads to the development of a goal, action item, or resource request.

The HLRC-218 computer lab has been reserved on Friday mornings for faculty completing Program Review.

The SLO Coordinator position is now vacant and will be filled. The SLO Committee wishes to thank Todd Matosic for his invaluable work and leadership. Our best to Todd and his new direction.

Upcoming Events

SLO Committee 1:00-2:30 | Winlock | Nov 18 | third Monday of the month
Curriculum Committee 1:00-3:00 pm | Oct 28 | Nov 25 | last Monday of the month
Leadership Retreat | Nov 15
SLO Progress at West

The diagram below was distributed at the October 8 Senate meeting. It illustrates that as of October 7, West has completed course SLO assessment for 60% of courses from academic year 2012-2013.

The next SLO cycle is from Fall 2013 until Spring 2017. SLO Assessment Calendars schedule when courses (and course SLOs) will be assessed in this 4-year timeframe. At the end of the 2013-2017 cycle, we will have assessed every course (and corresponding course SLO) within 4 years.

With the next cycle underway, we still need to complete assessment for the remaining 40% and start with the assessments for the 2013-2017 cycle.

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The SLO Committee reports to the Academic Senate through the Curriculum Committee.

The SLO Committee meets on the third Monday of the month from 1 to 2:30 pm in Winlock.

SLO News can also be accessed online at www.wlac.edu/slo .

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