

# University Assessment Committee

## Minutes

Tuesday, October 14

### Opening Reflection

#### I. Announcements

- a. Welcomed new committee member: Nalini Govindarajulu (Heider College of Business).
- b. HLC proposal submitted by Gail Jensen; conference dates are March 28-31, 2015. Registration is now open: <http://annualconference.ncahlc.org/>
- c. Annual Assessment Call distributed: Submission deadline of **December 1, 2014**.
- d. Assessment conferences
  - i. ASSESSMENT INSTITUTE 2014, Oct. 19-21, 2014, Indianapolis, IN  
<http://www.assessmentinstitute.iupui.edu/index.shtml>
  - ii. 15th ANNUAL TEXAS A&M ASSESSMENT CONFERENCE, Feb. 22-24, 2015 College Station, TX,  
<http://assessment.tamu.edu/conference/>
  - iii. The 8th Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) Commons Conference is accepting proposals. The conference to be held March 25-27, 2015 in Savannah, GA. Proposal deadline: Nov. 15, 2014.  
<http://academics.georgiasouthern.edu/ce/conferences/sotlcommons/sotlproposals/>
- e. The Call for Proposals for 2015 AEA Development Grants for the Assessment of Student Learning/Scholarship of Teaching and Learning is now open. Review of applications will begin November 17. More information: <http://www.creighton.edu/aea/2015aeadevelopmentgrantsrequestforproposal/>.
- f. Assessment structure, processes and rubrics are in the design stages for the Magis Core Curriculum program.

#### II. Committee Updates

- a. Academic Program Review
  - i. The seven programs slated for review in 2014-2015 have been scheduled. To view the program schedule or more information on the process, visit <http://www.creighton.edu/aea/academicprogramreview/>.
- b. Assessment Resource Integration
  - i. The summer-winter advisory council is exploring parity of learning in accelerated (online) courses.
  - ii. The committee will continue discussion on the functionality between TaskStream and BlueLine.

- c. Peer Review
  - i. The committee is reviewing recommendations to consider in 2014-2015 include: 1) ensure learning outcomes are mapped to school/college outcomes as appropriate 2) encourage all programs to highlight reflection on the assessment process in their annual reporting.
  - ii. Members of the TaskStream Implementation team were invited to serve as peer reviewers. Two members will join the UAC peer reviewers for this year's review process.
- d. Professional Development
  - i. The committee is pursuing a new format for professional development for 2014-2015: a university-wide half-day assessment symposium, to include a keynote speaker, poster session and breakout sessions. Tentative dates will be Feb. 20 or Feb. 27.
- e. Policy, Strategy, and HLC updates
  - i. Creighton's AIDU is due November 7<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Creighton's DBA request and removal of doctoral program stipulations was well received. Awaiting final HLC decision.
  - iii. Creighton needs to schedule "additional sites" visits before July 2015. Locations would include Phoenix and Hastings.
  - iv. Jodi Lange and Andrea Jahn are continuing to work on university processes for policy approvals.

### III. Discussion

- a. Data Warehouse Presentation

Topic tabled until November meeting.
- b. Committee members received the document, Accreditation Overview, which has been and will be distributed at various informational campus meetings. The Creighton Accreditation website, <http://www.creighton.edu/accreditation/>, is a resource for the campus community to learn more about the accreditation process in preparation for the Spring 2016 HLC visit. The HLC committee welcomes feedback. If you have questions, please contact Gail Jensen at [GailJensen@creighton.edu](mailto:GailJensen@creighton.edu) or Mary Ann Danielson at [maddam@creighton.edu](mailto:maddam@creighton.edu).

Meeting Adjourned: 9:10 a.m.

Next UAC Meetings (8:00-9:15 a.m., SC 104)  
November 11              Data Warehouse Demonstration