

Assessment Office: February 2012 Update

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OFFICE AFFAIRS

- Hired an undergraduate worker (12 hrs/wk) to support the office.

GENERAL EDUCATION/WASC COMPETENCIES ASSESSMENT

- **General Education Foundations Board:** Presented year 1 cohort study findings.
- **Critical Thinking Working Group:** Discussed options for assessing critical thinking.
- **Cohort Study**
 - 10 discussion groups are scheduled for February through April.
 - For study details go to <http://manoa.hawaii.edu/assessment/studentsuccess/>.

ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REPORTS

- **Academic Programs:** 190 of 230 academic programs submitted 2011 annual assessment reports. Analysis underway.
- **Special Programs:** 33 of 45 co-curricular/special programs submitted annual assessment reports. Began analysis.

CONSULTATIONS/CUSTOM WORKSHOPS

- **Library:** Provided librarian with survey design feedback and survey dissemination advice.
- **Hawaiian Language:** Met with faculty to discuss the logistics of assessing the BA program SLOs. Gave the curriculum coordinator and a faculty member feedback on draft rubrics.
- **Law School:** Pre-meeting with Associate Dean of Academic Affairs to prepare for the curriculum mapping working in March.

ON THE CALENDAR

- Spring 2012 Assessment Workshops: Taking It Up A Notch
 - **Using “Signature” or “Key” Assignments for Program-level Assessment**
 - Friday, March 23, 10:30-11:45 am
 - **Designing Effective Surveys** [examples will be from co-curricular programs]
 - Monday, April 9, 2:00-3:15 pm
 - **Designing Effective Surveys** [examples will be from academic programs]
 - Friday, April 13, 10:30-11:45 am
 - **Oral Communication and Program-level Assessment**
 - Wednesday, April 25, 2:00-3:15 pm
 - **What’s Good Enough? Setting Benchmarks/Standards**
 - Friday, April 27, 10:30-11:45 am
- **General Education Office (GEO):** Meeting GEO to discuss logistics of the WI program assessment in the College of Natural Sciences and College of Social Sciences
- **Law School:** Curriculum mapping and assessment workshops
- **Leadership Matters: Department Chairs Series:** An introduction to assessment at UHM