

# Assessment Newsletter

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## Purpose

The purpose of the NKU Assessment Newsletter is to regularly communicate information pertaining to assessment and accreditation at NKU. The Newsletter is also a venue to celebrate and share assessment news and practices.

## NKU Provost Award for Excellence in Student Learning Outcomes Assessment

The NKU Provost award for excellence in learning outcomes assessment is awarded to the NKU degree program that demonstrates excellence in its student learning outcomes assessment processes. Excellence is defined as having developed clear learning outcomes statements, the use of appropriate assessment measures, engagement in an in-depth analysis of the assessment results, and effective use of the assessment results to improve the program. The recipient of this award receives \$3000.00 to support assessment and students' success related initiatives for their program. For more information about the award, please contact Abdou Ndoye at [Ndoyea2@nku.edu](mailto:Ndoyea2@nku.edu)

**2021-2022 Award Recipient -** The World Language & Literatures BA program is the recipient of the 2021-2022 NKU Provost Award for Excellence in Student Learning Outcomes Assessment. **This program demonstrated a strong culture of assessment and an infrastructure to support the assessment initiatives for continuous improvement with the establishment of an assessment review committee that annually reviews its assessment initiatives. The program has also demonstrated clear examples of how the assessment results are being used to improve student learning.**

The World Language & Literatures program will share its assessment practices during a presentation held on **September 27<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm in SU 108**. The Chemistry program, which was the recipient of the 2020-2021 award, will also share how they used the award to enhance their assessment processes.

## EVENTS

### DUE DATES

- Assessment reports for 2021-2022 are due in Weave on Sept 15<sup>th</sup>
- Assessment plans for 2022-2023 are due in Weave on October 15<sup>th</sup>

### 2021-2022 WORKSHOPS

*Finalizing Annual Academic Affairs Assessment Reports - WEAVE Workshops via Zoom. [Click here](#) to register for a session*

- Thu, Sep 8<sup>th</sup> 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM
- Fri, Sep 9<sup>th</sup> 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM
- Mon, Sep 12<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

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### GEN ED ASSESSMENT CATEGORIES FOR THIS FALL

- Cultural Pluralism
- Individual and Society
- Global Viewpoints

All instructors in these categories need to either score their own students or submit assignments and artifacts via Canvas site. Please join the [Gen Ed Assessment shell in Canvas](#) for further information. (You will be enrolling as a STUDENT, so do not open with Canvas TEACHER app.) More details will follow.

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Do you have any questions? Please contact Abdou Ndoye at [Ndoyea2@nku.edu](mailto:Ndoyea2@nku.edu). If you have any news or a story about assessment and/or accreditation you would like to share, please email Akshi Kolagi at [kolagia2@nku.edu](mailto:kolagia2@nku.edu)

## General Education Assessment

- On June 7<sup>th</sup>, over 40 faculty participated in a Gen Ed workshop to work on aligning assignments to Gen Ed learning outcomes and discuss Transparent Assignment Design. The Close the Loop form was reviewed and two faculty members (Jeff Fox from Communication Studies and Chris Curran from Biological Sciences) shared their processes for using the close the loop form to inform their assessment practices.
- Gen Ed Assessment Drop in Workshops on Zoom available to everyone for any questions that you may have about the process:  
Wednesday, Sept 7<sup>th</sup> from noon to 1:00: <https://nku.zoom.us/j/6377006398>  
Thursday, Sept 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 2:30: <https://nku.zoom.us/j/6377006398>