

Relationship between Assessment of Student Learning and Academic Program Review

The Office of Academic Assessment (OAA) is charged with oversight of two separate but inter-related processes: Academic Program Review (APR) and the routine assessment of student learning.

Student learning assessment is a routine part of each academic program's activities, in which they use a variety of direct and indirect measures to compare student learning to their articulated learning goals. Based on the assessment data, program faculty make changes to improve student learning and report on their progress annually to the OAA.

APR is a periodic examination of the entire academic program. While there is a focus on student learning assessment data, the full body of data examined in APR reaches far beyond student learning. The changes made because of APR are tracked and assessed as part of the annual student learning assessment reports to the OAA.

An Offer of Assistance

The Office of Academic Assessment is charged with enabling faculty to successfully maintain an assessment system that uses data to improve student learning. This charge is one of our central functions, so do not hesitate to seek assistance.