INSTITUTIONAL CLIMATE FOR STUDENT ASSESSMENT

A Faculty and Administrative Survey for the Research Program on Institutional Support for Student Assessment



The "Institutional Climate for Student Assessment" (ICSA) survey has been developed by the research program on Institutional Support for Student Assessment for the National Center for Postsecondary Improvement* (NCPI). The primary purpose of the ICSA is to examine how your institution supports student assessment at the institutional level. We are interested in your perception of how your institution approaches student assessment, how it provides organizational and administrative support for it, the types of policies and practices used to promote it, and the uses and impacts of that student assessment information. We are interested in your perception of these topics even though you may not be directly involved with them.

In this study, we are interested in assessment of undergraduate students **at the institutional level**, rather than at the classroom or department level, unless specifically stated otherwise. Student assessment is defined as those activities, other than traditional end-of-course grading, focused on measuring undergraduate student performance. Student performance includes students' academic, personal, and social development; attitudes; behavior; and perceptions related to their role as students.

The ICSA is designed for faculty and for academic, student affairs, institutional researchers, and student assessment administrators. This survey is part of an intensive case study that examines your institution's approach to and strategy for supporting student assessment. The case study report describing your institution's student assessment strategy will include a profile of responses to this survey. This information should be helpful both in better understanding and in enhancing support for student assessment at your institution. Any questions concerning the survey can be addressed to:

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The questionnaire should take less than 45 minutes to complete. Please answer each question from your perspective, even if you are not directly involved with the topic. Keep in mind that the questions refer to student assessment of <u>undergraduate students</u> at your institution. The questionnaire is coded to allow for follow up only. Your responses will remain confidential and only aggregate data will be reported. Specific individuals will not be identified in any analyses or reports. Return the completed questionnaire in the enclosed return envelope.

I. INSTITUTIONAL ACADEMIC CULTURE

The questions in this section ask you to adopt an institutionwide perspective, as opposed to a department or classroom level perspective.

Items A-E below contain descriptions of higher education institutions. None of the descriptions is any better than the others; they are just different. Think of these items in the context of undergraduate education at your institution.

For items A-D, please distribute 100 points among the descriptions depending on how similar each is to your institution; e.g., if "1" seems very similar to your institution, "2" seems somewhat similar, and "3," "4," and "5" do not seem similar, you might give 70 points to "1" and 30 points to "2".

A. <u>Purpose of Undergraduate Education</u> (Distribute 100 points)

Total = 100 points

My institution believes that the purpose of undergraduate education is:

1. to make the world a better place for all of us. Students must be taught to make the most of their roles in society and to strive to improve it. 2. to provide students with knowledge and skills that enable them to earn a living and contribute productively to society. 3. to emphasize the great learning and discoveries of the human mind. Students should be able to demonstrate both breadth of knowledge and depth in their major fields. to help students clarify their beliefs and values and thus achieve commitment and dedication to guide their lives. The development of personal values is an educational outcome as important as acquisition of subject knowledge. to enhance the thinking capability of students. Students must learn to reason critically and to communicate their thoughts.

B. Governance of Undergraduate Education (Distribute 100 points) Academic decision making at my institution can best be described as: 1. collegial: There are widespread opportunities to participate meaningfully in decision making. 2. ____ formal/rational: Decision making is formally structured. Problems are analyzed. Decisions are made in a logical and reasoned manner. autonomous: Academic and professional units function with a good deal of freedom in a decentralized or loosely coordinated environment. autocratic: Decisions are made by higher level administrators with little or no consultation with faculty or lower level academic units. political: Different people or groups move in and out of the decision making process, wielding varying amounts of power at different times. Total = 100 pointsC. Educational Change Orientation (Distribute 100 points) In addressing educational change in undergraduate education, my institution: leads. It looks ahead and anticipates educational trends. It sets the goals and the pace and other institutions follow. adapts. It is constantly looking outward, monitoring the trends in undergraduate education and changing accordingly. responds. It observes what is happening in other institutions. As other institutions change, my institution follows by adopting their patterns and initiatives. resists. It usually rejects or ignores changes in undergraduate education taking place at other institutions.

Total = 100 points

D. Responsibility for the Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Process (Distribute 100 points)

The **undergraduate** teaching and learning process (curricular requirements, learning goals, teaching techniques, course content, etc.) **at my institution** is mainly determined by:

1	individual faculty.
2	individual departments, schools, or colleges.
3	an institution-wide academic governing body (e.g. faculty senate).
4	academic administrators.
5	institutional or system governing board.
Total = 1	00 points

E. Perceptions of Undergraduate Educational Quality

Please rate **your institution's** change in performance on the following indicators of undergraduate education over the past 5 years. (Circle **one** for each)

Very much improved – 5 Somewhat improved – 4 About the same – 3 Somewhat worse – 2 Very much worse – 1

	Very much worse -	- 1				
Pe	erceptions					
1.	The quality of undergraduate					
	education	1	2	3	4	5
2.	The ability of this institution to meet					
	the educational needs of entering					
	undergraduate students	1	2	3	4	5
3.	The preparedness of undergraduate					
	students for collegiate-level work	1	2	3	4	5
4.	The effort undergraduate students					
	devote to their studies	1	2	3	4	5
5.	The academic performance of					
	undergraduate students	1	2	3	4	5

II. INSTITUTIONAL APPROACH TO STUDENT ASSESSMENT

Sections II - VI specifically address **your institution's** approaches to, support for, influences on, practices regarding, and uses and impacts of student assessment.

A. Content of Student Assessment

Please rate the emphasis placed by **your institution** on the following content areas of student assessment. (Circle **one** for each)

		<u>Emphasis</u>
	1	Very Strong – 5
		Strong – 4
	Mo	derate – 3
	L	ittle – 2
	None or Unknown	
Co	ntent Area	
1.	Basic college-readiness skills	1 2 3 4 5
2.	Cognitive development (higher-order	
	skills, general education competencies,	
	competence in major field of study)	1 2 3 4 5
3.	Affective development (values,	
	attitudes, personal growth, etc.)	1 2 3 4 5
4.	Social development (political, social or	
	community involvement)	1 2 3 4 5
5.	Vocational or professional skills or	
	competence	1 2 3 4 5
6.	Student academic plans, intentions, and	
٠.	progress	1 2 3 4 5
7.	Student satisfaction and involvement	12313
٠.	with the institution	1 2 3 4 5
	with the institution	1 2 3 4 3

B. Methods of Student Assessment

In its student assessment efforts, to what extent does **your institution** emphasize the following methods of collecting student assessment data? (Circle **one** for each)

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	derate				
L	ittle -	- 2			
None or Unknown	1 – 1				
Method					
Institutional or state developed					
instruments or tests	1	2	3	1	5
	1	2	3	4	2
2. Commercial instruments or tests	1	2	3	4	3
3. Student-performance methods					
(observations of student performance or					
demonstrations, portfolios, capstone					
courses)	1	2	3	4	5
	1	_	J	_	J
4. Student or alumni interviews, focus		_	2		_
groups, and surveys	1	2	3	4	5
5. External examination of students					
(licensure exams, external reviewers)	1	2	3	4	5
6. Employer interviews, focus groups and					
	1	2	3	1	5
surveys	_	_	_	-	-
7. Transcript analysis			3		
8. Other: please specify:	1	2	3	4	5

III. INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENT ASSESSMENT

The questions in this section address **institution-wide** evidence of support for student assessment.

A. <u>Institutional Mission Priorities</u>

To what extent are the following components priorities in **your institution's** mission? (Circle **one** for each)

Priority

`	Very High – 5
	High – 4
Mod	derate – 3
	ow – 2
Very Low or Unknown	
Mission Component	
Excellence in undergraduate education	1 2 3 4 5
2. Teaching undergraduates	1 2 3 4 5
3. Research	1 2 3 4 5
4. Service to the external community	1 2 3 4 5
5. Service to institution (serving on	
committees, etc.)	1 2 3 4 5
6. Assessment of undergraduate student	
learning	1 2 3 4 5
7. Identifying clear educational outcomes	
expected of students	1 2 3 4 5
8. Interdisciplinary teaching or research	1 2 3 4 5
9. Alternative delivery systems (distance	1 2 3 4 3
learning, experiential learning, learning	1 2 2 4 5
communities)	1 2 3 4 5
10. Innovative instructional methods (peer	
teaching, cooperative learning,	
collaborative learning)	1 2 3 4 5
11. Student diversity	1 2 3 4 5
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B. Purpose of Conducting Student Assessment

How important to **your institution** is each of the following purposes for pursuing undergraduate student assessment? (Circle **one** for each)

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			Impo	ortance
	Very	imp	ortar	nt – 5
	Im	por	tant -	- 4
	Somewhat impo	orta	nt – 3	3
	Not importa	nt –	2	
	Very unimportant –			
Pur	pose			
1.	Preparing institutional self-study for			
	accreditation	1	2 3	4 5
2.	Meeting state reporting requirements	1	2 3	4 5
3.	Guiding internal resource allocation			
	decisions	1	2 3	4 5
4.	Guiding undergraduate academic program			
	improvement	1	23	4 5
5.	Improving the achievement of			
	undergraduate students	1	2 3	4 5
6.	Improving faculty instructional			
	performance	1	2 3	4 5
7.	Improving our institution's external image			
	and reputation	1	2 3	4 5
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C. Influences on Student Assessment

How important are the following influences on student assessment at your institution? (Circle one for each)

Importance

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	Very important – 5					
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	Somewhat impo			- 3		
	Not importa		- 2			
	Very unimportant -	- 1				
Inf	uences					
1.	An institution-wide formal plan that all					
٠.	academic administrators and faculty are					
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	2	2	4	_
_	required to follow	1	2	3	4	3
2.	An institution-wide informal policy that all					
	academic administrators and faculty are					
	encouraged to follow	1	2	3	4	5
3.	Senior level administrators (e.g. Vice					
	President of Academic Affairs, Deans, etc).	1	2	3	4	5
4.	Individual departments who assess their					
	own students.	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Individual faculty members who champion					
	assessment	1	2	3	4	5
6.	Vocal detractors of student assessment		2	_		-
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D. Institution-Wide Activities

How important is each of the following administrative or governance activities in promoting undergraduate student assessment **at your institution**? (Circle **one** for each)

	Very Imj Somewhat impo Not importa Very unimportant or unknown –	imp port rtar nt –	or tan nt -	tan t –	t – 4	nce 5
Ac	<u>tivities</u>					
1.	Annual presidential or other institution-					
	wide initiative, forums or seminars on					
	student assessment	1	2	3	4	5
2.	Board of trustees committee that addresses					
	student assessment	1	2	3	4	5
3.	Faculty governance committee that					
	addresses student assessment issues	1	2	3	4	5
4.	Student representation on student					
	assessment committees	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Planning for student assessment	1	2	3	4	5
6.	Institution-wide steering committee or task					
	force on student assessment	1	2	3	4	5

E. Support for Student Assessment

How supportive are the following groups or individuals of undergraduate student assessment activities in **your institution**? (Circle **one** for each)

Supportiveness

	Very supportive – 5						
	Somewhat su	ippoi	rtiv	e –	4		
	N	eutra	ıl –	3			
	Somewhat unsupporti	ve –	2				
	Very unsupportive or unknown -	- 1					
Gro	<u>ups</u>						
1.	Board of trustees			_	4	-	
2.	Chief executive officer				4		
3.	Chief academic officer	1	2	3	4	5	
4.	Chief student affairs officer				4		
5.	Academic administrators	1	2	3	4	5	
6.	Student affairs administrators	1	2	3	4	5	
7.	Faculty governance body	1	2	3	4	5	
8.	Faculty	1	2	3	4	5	
9.	Student government	1	2	3	4	5	
10.	Students	1	2	3	4	5	
11.	Institutional research, academic	1	2	3	4	5	
	review, and student assessment office						

IV. EXTERNAL INFLUENCES ON STUDENT ASSESSMENT

How influential have the following external factors been on **your institution's** level of involvement in undergraduate student assessment? (Circle **one** for each)

	Very influential – 5						
	Influential – 4						
	Somewhat influe	ntia	al –	3			
	Hardly influentia	ıl –	2				
	Not influential or unknown –	1					
Ext	ernal Factor						
1.	State requirements for or review of						
	my institution's student assessment						
	efforts	1	2	3	4	5	
2.	Regional (institutional) accreditation						
	requirements or review	1	2	3	4	5	
3.	Professional (program/field)						
	accreditation requirements or review	1	2	3	4	5	
	accreditation requirements or review	1	2	3	4	5	

Professional associations promoting

student assessment (institutional,

disciplinary, or administrative)

Private foundations or corporate

groups

V. ASSESSMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES

Institutions have adopted a variety of intentional policies and practices designed to support student assessment. From your perspective, how important does **your institution** consider the following policies and/or practices in encouraging student assessment activities? (Circle **one** for each)

<u>Importance of Practice to Your Institution</u>

Very important − 5

1 2 3 4 5

1 2 3 4 5

1 2 3 4 5

Important – 4							
	Somewhat important – 3						
	Not importa		- 2				
	Very unimportant or unknown –	1					
Po	licy or Practice						
<u>A.</u>	Student Assessment Information						
1.	Dissemination of student assessment						
	reports and studies	1	2	3	4	5	
2.	Access to student assessment data on						
	individual students for advisors and						
_	academic units	1	2	3	4	5	
3.	Computerized student information system	1	2	3	4	5	
<u>B.</u>	Student Policies						
1.	Requiring student participation in student						
	assessment activities	1	2	3	4	5	
2.	Incentives encouraging students to						
_	participate in student assessment activities	1	2	3	4	5	
3.	Individual feedback provided to students		_	2		_	
	regarding their own student performance results	1	2	3	4	5	
4.	Student assessment activities scheduled in						
⊣.	the academic calendar	1	2	3	4	5	
	the deddenine ediched	•	_	5	•	-	
C.	Professional Davidonment						
<u>C.</u>	Professional Development						
1.	Faculty workshops on student assessment	1	2	3	4	5	
2.	Support for faculty to attend professional		_	_		_	
2	conferences on student assessment	1	2	3	4	5	
3.	Internal or external consultant services for						
	faculty on the use of student assessment in	1	2	2	4	5	
	course design or instruction	1	2	3	4	3	

Assistance for faculty (paid leaves,

stipends, mini grants or course reduction)

to improve their use of student assessment

Student assessment workshops for deans,

Student assessment workshops for student

department chairs, and other academic

affairs staff and administrators

administrators

1 2 3 4 5

1 2 3 4 5

Assessment Policies and Practices (continued)

Importance of Practice to Your Institution Very important – 5

Important – 4 Somewhat important -3Not very important – 2

Not important or unknown – 1

D. Evaluation and Rewards

1.	Evidence of student performance (not just					
	student teaching evaluation) considered in					
	faculty evaluation for promotion or tenure	1	2	3	4	5
2.	Evidence of student performance					
	considered in faculty evaluation for					
	annual salary or merit increases	1	2	3	4	5
3.	Faculty scholarship on or participation in					
	student assessment activities considered in					
	promotion or tenure reviews	1	2	3	4	5
4.	Faculty scholarship on or participation in			-		-
	student assessment activities considered in					
	salary reviews or merit increases	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Public recognition or awards for faculty	_		-	-	-
٠.	for innovative or effective use of student					
	assessment	1	2	3	4	5
6.	Experience or skill in student assessment	•	_	٥	•	٠
0.	considered in faculty hiring process	1	2	3	4	5
7.	Encouraging faculty to assess student	•	_	٥	•	٠
٠.	learning in their classes	1	2	3	4	5
8.	Rewards or incentives for academic and		_	,	٠	9
0.	student affairs administrators who					
	promote use of student assessment in their					
	unit	1	2	3	4	5
9.	Incentives for academic units to use	1	_	J	_	,
٦.	student assessment information in their					
	evaluation and improvement efforts	1	2	3	4	5
	evaluation and improvement enorts	1	_	J	+	J

E. Academic Management

1.	Annual budget allocation to academic units to support student assessment	1	2	3	4	5
2.	Academic department or program					
	planning/review using student assessment	1	2	2	1	_
	data	1	2	3	4	5
3.	General education or core curriculum					
	review using student assessment data	1	2	3	4	5
4.	Course review and development using					
	student assessment data	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Review and planning for student academic					
	support services based on student					
	assessment data	1	2	3	4	5
6	Evaluation of the student assessment	•	_	٥	•	-
0.		1	2	2	4	_
	process	I	2	3	4	5

VI. USES AND IMPACTS OF STUDENT ASSESSMENT

A. Uses of Student Assessment Data

To what extent does your institution use undergraduate student assessment information in making decisions or changes in the following areas? (Circle **one** for each)

	Use of Student As					
	\	/ery				5
			igł		4	
	Moder	rate	-	3		
	Lo	w –	- 2			
	None or Unknown –	- 1				
Decisions and Changes						
	lemic mission or goals	1	2	3	4	5
2. Academic programs		1	2	3	4	5
3. General education c		1	2	3	4	5
	learning experiences	-	_	-	·	
(e.g. internships, ser		1	2	3	4	5
5. Distance learning in		1	2	3	4	5
	upport services (e.g.	1	_	,	•	_
advising, tutoring)	apport services (e.g.	1	2	3	4	5
	vities or organization	1	2	3	1	5
	allocation to academic	1	_	J	7	5
units	anocation to academic	1	2	2	1	5
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9. Student assessment	pians, poncies, or	1	2	2	1	_
processes		1	2 2	2	4	5
10. Faculty promotion a		1	2	3	4	3
11. Faculty salary incre		1	_	2	4	_
(release time, travel		1	2	3	4	2
12. Reports for external	agents	I	2	3	4	5
B. Impacts of Student	<u>Assessment</u>					
the following indica	ident assessment informations of your institution		n h	ad	loı	1
performance?						
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14. Institutional reputation or image

VII. ATTITUDES TOWARD, INVOLVEMENT IN, AND SATISFACTION WITH STUDENT ASSESSMENT

The following questions focus on your **personal** attitudes toward, satisfaction with, and involvement in student assessment **at your institution**.

A. Attitudes

Please describe how you feel about the following statements regarding student assessment **at your institution**. (Circle **one** for each)

Your Attitudes about the Following

Agree strongly – 4

	Agree				-4
	Agree some	wha	at –	3	
	Disagree somewh	at –	- 2		
	Disagree strongly -	- 1			
Atti	itudes				
1.	Mandated student assessment limits the				
	academic freedom of faculty.	1	2	3	4
	Results of student evaluations of teaching				
	influence how faculty assess students.	1	2	3	4
	Faculty are free to implement their own				
	approaches to student assessment.	1	2	3	4
	Faculty have a common understanding of the				
	meaning of the term <i>student assessment</i> .	1	2	3	4
	Administrators have a common understanding				
	of the meaning of the term <i>student</i>				
	assessment.	1	2	3	4
6.	Student assessment limits the amount of time				
	faculty have for other academic activities.	1	2	3	4
	Student assessment is more effective when				
	determined by the faculty member rather than				
	by the institution.	1	2	3	4
	Student assessment has improved the quality				
	of education at this institution.	1	2	3	4
9.	Students today are learning more due to an				
	institutional focus on the assessment of				
	student learning.	1	2	3	4
	Student assessment techniques accurately				
	measure students learning.	1	2	3	4
	The effectiveness of teaching is enhanced				
	when faculty regularly engage in student	1	2	3	4
	assessment.				
12.	Faculty use more student assessment				
	techniques than they did five years ago.	1	2	3	4
	Faculty use student assessment information to				
	modify how or what they teach.	1	2	3	4
	Faculty frequently communicate with				
	colleagues on how to improve their students				
	assessment practices.	1	2	3	4
	Faculty enjoy participating in student				
	assessment activities.	1	2	3	4
16.	Faculty and administrators agree on the value				
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of assessing student learning.

17. Faculty update their in-class assessment techniques on a regular basis.

19. Faculty are reluctant to engage in student assessment for fear that student assessment

results will be used in evaluations.

20. State or federally mandated assessment

requirements improve the quality of

undergraduate education

18. Assessing students has resulted in the development of learning experiences that better meet diverse learning styles.

B. Satisfaction

Please rate your **personal** satisfaction with the following statements about student assessment **at your institution**. (Circle **one** for each)

statements about student assess (Circle one for each)	·
(Circle one for each)	Your Satisfaction
	Very satisfied – 5
	Satisfied – 4
	Neutral or unknown – 3
	Not satisfied – 2
	Very dissatisfied – 1
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(content and methods)	1 2 3 4 5
2. Institution-wide plan or pol	
assessment	1 2 3 4 5
3. Opportunities to participate	
making about student asses	sment 1 2 3 4 5
4. Administrative leadership s	
student assessment	1 2 3 4 5
5. Faculty leadership support	
assessment	1 2 3 4 5
6. Student support for student	
7. Professional development f	
assessment	1 2 3 4 5
8. Evaluation and rewards bas	sed on student
assessment data or involved	ment 1 2 3 4 5
9. Use of student assessment of	data in making
academic decisions	1 2 3 4 5
10. Impact student assessment	
institution	1 2 3 4 5
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7. Administrative Appointment The following 5 involvement questions are for faculty members. Administrators, please skip to Section VIII: Academic affairs administrator Department or division chair Personal Data. Student affairs administrator Involvement Very highly involved – 5 Institutional research, academic evaluation, or Highly involved – 4 student assessment officer Involved – 3 8. For how many years have you worked Moderately involved -2a. at this institution years Not involved – 1 b. in higher education years Activities (cont.) 11. Use of student assessment in my Highest Degree instruction 1 2 3 4 5 Doctorate of Philosophy 12. Use of active assessment techniques Professional Doctorate (J.D., M.D.) (student portfolios, performances, Master's observations) in my classroom. 1 2 3 4 5 Certificate beyond Bachelor's 13. Revision of my course or instructional Bachelor's methods based on student assessment Associate's Degree 1 2 3 4 5 results Other, please specify: 14. Evaluating the success of my classroom assessment activities 1 2 3 4 5 10. Faculty Appointment 15. Participation in departmental activities Full time faculty related to student assessment 1 2 3 4 5 Part-time faculty None VIII. PERSONAL DATA D. Your Feedback 1. Sex Male Female Please use this space to elaborate on any of your responses and/or to provide additional information on your institution's Race / Ethnicity approach to, support for, and practices regarding assessment of American Indian or Alaskan Native undergraduate students. Asian African American/Black Hispanic/Latino Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White Other 3. Primary Appointment Faculty Administrator Academic Field (Faculty appointment only) **Natural Sciences** Arts & Humanities Social Sciences Professional/Occupational Rank (Faculty appointment only): Lecturer or instructor Assistant Professor Associate Professor Professor Other, please specify: No ranks at this institution Thank you for taking the time to share your experiences and perspectives with us. Please review the questionnaire Tenure Status (Faculty Appointment only) to be sure you have not skipped any questions you can Tenured answer. We look forward to receiving your responses via Tenure track, not tenured the enclosed envelope. No tenure for my position