

Office of Assessment

New Mexico State University

Mission

To promote, facilitate and communicate a positive culture and unrelenting institutional commitment to intentional and systematic improvement in institutional effectiveness and teaching and learning.

Goals

Because the Office of Assessment

- Educates and assists faculty, staff and administrators in developing assessment that uses evidence of effectiveness and learning to inform decision-making
- Facilitates and supports both independent and integrated and collaborative assessment endeavors campus wide
- Advocates for institutional policies, procedures and practices that promote meaningful assessment initiatives
- Promotes internal and external awareness of assessment initiatives implemented to improve student learning and the learning environment
- Monitors national trends in assessment of student learning and institutional effectiveness

Objectives

The campus community

- Makes decisions (about policies, practices, procedures and teaching and learning) in light of the demonstrated impact they may have on student learning (including the potential and/or realized impact on the environment such that it is conducive to learning)
- Continuously strives to improve learning, experiences and opportunities for learning by engaging in course, unit and program-specific assessment, as well as broadly-integrated institution-wide assessment
- Develops and abides by policies, procedures and practices that promote meaningful assessment
- Is mindful of internal assessment activities and the impact of those activities on the our students and our campus, and is well respected by external constituencies for work done in assessment
- Is cognizant about national trends in assessment practices and resulting implications for our institution

