

# OFFICE OF ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT

**ASSESSMENT TIP OF THE MONTH: VISIT [WWW.CSUN.EDU/ASSESSMENT](http://www.csun.edu/assessment) FOR IMPORTANT ASSESSMENT RESOURCES, ARTICLES, AND RUBRICS**

## PROGRAM REVIEW has a new coordinator

Dr. Dave Ballard became the first program reviewer in fall 2008 and is transitioning the responsibilities to Dr. Eli Bartle in spring 2012. Dr. Bartle comes from the Department of Social Work. He brings his experience with conducting two program reviews with particular emphasis on developing assessment tools, collecting and analyzing results, and initiating program improvement changes based on these results. Dr. Bartle will be glad to help others make program review efficient and effective for the students, faculty, and staff in various departments. Contact [ebartle@csun.edu](mailto:ebartle@csun.edu)

Visit the Program Review Website at <http://blogs.csun.edu/ugs/program-review/>

## HYBRID-ONLINE-TRADITIONAL (HOT) ASSESSMENT COHORTS

The number of courses which offer fully or partially online sections has increased dramatically over the last 15 years. In Fall 2010 the first cohort of faculty began the design of assessment plans for student achievement of learning outcomes across online, hybrid and traditional course delivery modalities. Since then, three additional faculty cohorts have been funded.

The premier question which drives the work in these cohorts is: Under what conditions are online, hybrid and traditional course delivery modalities most effective for achieving student learning outcomes? Subsequent newsletters will feature stories from members of these cohorts.

## ACADEMIC ASSESSMENT

The purpose of academic assessment is to facilitate the highest quality educational experience for our students through the systematic collection and interpretation of student competencies at graduation, at defining points through the curricula and at entrance.

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Annual Academic Assessment Liaisons' Retreat May 16, 2012  
More Information Coming Soon

## Academic Assessment Coordinator

Dr. Bonnie Paller has been the director of the Office of Academic Assessment and Program Review since fall 2008. In spring 2012 Dr. Anu Thakur joins the Office of Academic Assessment as the coordinator of academic assessment. Anu comes from the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences and teaches interior design. She looks forward to assisting with assessment activities in various degree-conferring and non-degree conferring programs across the CSUN campus. Anu is available to help any department or program identify, establish, and grow their assessment activities leading toward program improvement. Contact [athakur@csun.edu](mailto:athakur@csun.edu)

## Assessment Conferences

April 18-20 WASC Academic Resource Conference 2012  
What's Next: Scenarios for Higher Education  
Costa Mesa, CA  
<http://www.wascarc.org>

April 27, 2012 Assessment Conference XVI  
Enhancing Student Learning Through Formative Assessment  
California State University, Fullerton  
<http://business.fullerton.edu/centers/CollegeAssessmentCenter/>

## A RUBRIC FOR EVALUATING RUBRICS

[HTTP://DARETODIFFERENTIATE.WIKISPACES.COM/FILE/VIEW/EVALUATINGRUBRICS.PDF](http://daretodifferentiate.wikispaces.com/File/View/EvaluatingRubrics.pdf)

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