TO: Dr. John Pauly, Provost  
Dr. James South, Chair, University Academic Senate  
FROM: Dr. Sharron Ronco, Assessment Director  
RE: Annual Report of the University Assessment Committee  
DATE: April 23, 2012  

Section 9.03 - The University Assessment Committee (revised March 21, 2011)  
The University Assessment Committee is a committee of the Academic Division. The committee addresses and advances effective assessment of student learning at Marquette University.

Responsibilities:
1. Assisting and collaborating with the Provost and Vice Provosts to ensure ongoing systems of assessment including the:
   a. Development, implementation, and maintenance of the framework for university assessment systems;
   b. Development, implementation, and maintenance of learning assessment processes at the institutional level;
   c. Review of institutional and program level learning assessment reports;
   d. Recommendation of changes and modifications in the assessment processes as indicated.
2. Advising faculty, department, and colleges on assessment procedures and methods.
3. Recommending to and collaborating with the Center for Teaching and Learning to provide assessment workshops and seminars to aid faculty in assessment strategies.
4. Forwarding recommendations of the Committee to the UAS for feedback and to the Provost for approval.
5. Providing a written annual report to the UAS.

2011-12 Membership:
Sharron Ronco (Chair), Assessment Director  
Lea Acord, College of Nursing  
Rebecca Bardwell, College of Education  
Jonathan Dooley, Office of Student Affairs  
Kim Halula, College of Health Sciences  
Thomas Hammer, Law School  
Todd Hernandez, Klingler College of Arts and Sciences  
Allison Kruschke, MUSG student representative  
Noreen Lephardt, College of Business Administration  
Laura McBride, Office of Institutional Research  
Michael Monahan, Director of the Core Curriculum  
Michelle Nemer, Graduate Student Organization  
Christopher Perez, College of Engineering  
Christine Taylor, College of Professional Studies (LOA replacement)  
Fred Sutkiewicz, School of Dentistry  
Joyce Wolburg, Diederich College of Communication  
Jean Zanoni, Raynor Memorial Libraries Representative
Gary Meyer, Vice Provost, also attended the UAC meetings in 2011-12 as an advisor to the Committee.

Meetings:

The UAC met twelve times in 2011-12 for 90 minutes. The last meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2012. This included three meetings devoted to workshops.

Highlights of Committee Work and Accomplishments:

- Offered assessment overview workshop to new and continuing Program Assessment Leaders.
- Sponsored the annual Peer Review Seminar, led table discussions, recorded results.
- Revised the University’s Student Learning Assessment Policies.
- Reviewed need for assessment reporting software and selected the planning module of Campus Labs to better organize and archive the university’s assessment efforts on multiple levels.
- Reviewed learning outcomes and assessment plans for a number of academic and co-curricular programs and offered feedback.
- Reviewed topics for advanced workshops on assessment and selected “benchmarks/targets” for professional development spring workshop; supported implementation.
- Conducted audit of degree and certificate programs for current assessment plans and reports; assisted with follow-up of programs needing attention.

Continuing Committee Business for 2012-13:

- Assist with implementation and promotion of assessment reporting software (fall);
- Review results of new core curriculum assessment (spring);
- Develop new assessment procedures document (fall);

Recommendations:

The UAC recommends actions to the Provost. This year, the Provost approved the UAC’s recommendations for assessment mini-grants, for a new Assessment Policies document, and for purchase of assessment reporting software. There are no recommendations pending.