

CIS/CS Assessment Plan SLOAC Review Comments

Thanks for filing an assessment plan with the SLOAC. We have the following comments for you to consider:

1. You could be more specific about which courses teach which outcomes.
2. Title your rubrics so they are easier to track in discussions.
3. The software development rubric—we think—could be more specific and clear.
4. On the alumni survey, you might define more clearly what is meant by problem solving.
5. Though you are just starting, you might provide some level of expected student performance.
6. I'm providing some rubrics for written and oral communication you could modify for that learning outcome.
7. Please provide some documentation of department approval of this plan.

Aside from the documentation of department approval, we don't need to see anything more from you this year. Your first report will be due October 31, 2007. We encourage you to revise your plan in the ways identified prior to gathering data. We're happy to provide assistance as needed.

We're not sure if you have gathered data yet. If you have, you could file an assessment report—even based on one outcome—and become eligible for an instructional improvement grant. Grant applications are due Jan. 31, 2007. The form is available at www.mnstate.edu/assess.

If you have questions at any time, please contact Tim Borchers at borchers@mnstate.edu.

Thanks!