

**Business Report**  
**SLOAC Review Comments**

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

1. Nice, clean rubrics. Thanks for taking the time to develop them.
2. Course embedded assessments appear to focus on one course only with feedback from only one instructor. We would encourage you to look for ways of using more than one evaluator or somehow calibrating your evaluations. We believe you are doing this, just include these discussions in your report. The concern is for interrater reliability.
3. We are encouraging programs to consider ways of doing more formative assessment instead of relying only on assessment data gained during the senior seminar course. In other words, is there a course that all students take early in their careers where you can gather similar data to compare with students when they are finished with your program. As a related issue, how much do your students know about their scores on assessment? Is there a way for students to “track” their progress through your program on the outcomes. Please consider how you can move your assessment to a deeper level by considering these additions.

We do not need anything more from you for this year.

Your next report will be due on October 31, 2008.

If you wish to apply for an Instructional Improvement Grant, the deadline is January 31, 2008. Complete details are available at [www.mnstate.edu/assess](http://www.mnstate.edu/assess), click on Grants.

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