



**SOUTH DAKOTA
STATE UNIVERSITY**

Assessment of Student Learning Showcase

May 8th, 2018

9:00 – 11:00 am

**McCrary Gardens Education & Visitor Center
Brookings, SD**

Welcome to the SDSU Assessment of Student Learning Showcase.

As an institution of higher learning, we believe that assessment matters and that high quality assessment is essential to improving student learning and success. Through the use of direct and indirect sources of evidence of student achievement, assessment guides collective actions for improvements in teaching, academic supports, curricula and co-curricular activities.

The SDSU Assessment Academy is part of the overall SDSU Quality Initiative, which is a critical component of the University's ongoing accreditation through the Higher Learning Commission (HLC). In 2015, SDSU decided to concentrate on quality assurance and improvement with a particular focus on assessment. As a part of this process, SDSU also participated in the HLC's Academy for the Assessment of Student Learning.

The purpose of this event is to showcase the work of the 2017-2018 SDSU Assessment Academy participants as they have worked to develop high quality and sustainable program/unit level assessment plans.

During the 2017-18 academic year, 48 individuals representing 38 different academic programs and co-curricular units actively participated in the Academy by attending 8 sessions, updating/writing student learning outcomes, designing curriculum maps, and identifying assessment methods and strategies with an overall goal of developing a program/unit level assessment plan.

Posters: 9:00 am – 11:00 am

We invite you to engage with colleagues and discover how faculty and staff are incorporating good practices into student learning outcomes assessment as a result of participating in the second year of the SDSU Assessment Academy. The posters summarize each academic program or co-curricular unit assessment plan(s).

Program: 9:30 am

Welcome

- Jana M. Hanson – Director of Institutional Assessment

Building a Culture of Inquiry

- Mary Kay Helling – Vice Provost
- Sam Jennings II – Dean of Students
- Kinchel Doerner – Dean, Graduate College

Telling our Assessment Story

- Communication Studies
 - Joshua Westwick, Interim Department Head/Associate Professor
- Housing & Residential Life
 - Rebecca Peterson, Director of Housing & Residential Life
 - Toby Uecker, Associate Director for Living-Learning & Outreach
- Chemistry & Biochemistry
 - Douglas Raynie, Department Head/Associate Professor

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