

# St. Petersburg College

## Outcomes Assessment Review Report

*Date January 19, 2006*

*Check the Report Area That Applies*

	<b>Student Services</b>
	<b>Educational Support Services</b>
	<b>Administrative Services</b>
<b>x</b>	<b>Education</b>

**Describe the status of each item identified in this report last year.**

The Education Oversight Committee met in February 2005. Team members were appointed to oversee the general education goals listed in the college mission statement. In preparation for the upcoming SACS reaccreditation, it was decided that all general education goals would be assessed during Spring/Summer 2005 and would include assessment of students enrolled in online courses. It was also determined that General Education Assessments would be summarized using the same template as Program Assessment. Meetings were held with William Haun, Web and Instructional Technologist, to update the assessment website to include General Education Assessment.

**Identify areas that need improvement:**

**For each area that needs improvement, identify objectives and action steps that will lead to improvement** (these should be included in individual Unit Plans in the upcoming year)

*It should be noted that assessments discovered minor areas for improvements that will be acted upon by individual departments. However, aside from the objectives listed below, there were no systemic issues that require institutional direction.*

**I. Areas Needing Improvement: Include more online students/courses in the general education assessments.**

**Objective for Upcoming Year:**

**For each general education outcome, at least one online course will be included.**

**Action Steps:**

- Identify online classes to be assessed.
- Provide assessment materials to faculty teaching selected section.
- Compile online student data separately from face-to-face classes.

## **II. Area Needing Improvement: Use of valid and reliable assessment tools for general education and program assessment**

### **Objective for Upcoming Year:**

**Provide faculty training in development of assessment tools**

#### **Action Steps:**

- Identify in-house experts to provide training to faculty
- Incorporate training as part of fall inservice day or other SPD training opportunity

## **III. Area Needing Improvement: Use of advisory committee feedback in program assessment and program review**

### **Objective for Upcoming Year:**

**Utilize advisory committee input as part of Program Review**

#### **Action Steps:**

- Program Directors will forward advisory committee minutes to Program Review office
- Summary of advisory committee minutes will be incorporated into Program Review reports

## **IV. Area Needing Improvement: General Education assessments**

### **Objective for Upcoming Year:**

**Incorporate general education assessments that measure learning ‘across the curriculum’**

#### **Action Steps:**

- Identify assessment tools/approaches that measure learning ‘across the curriculum’
- Provide professional development training/seminars to introduce these tools/approaches to faculty
- Work with General Education Team leaders to pilot use of these assessment tools/approaches

## **V. Area Needing Improvement: Coordination of college assessments**

### **Objective for Upcoming Year:**

**Hire full-time administrative staff person to oversee all college-wide assessments, including General Education, Program Assessment and Program Review**

#### **Action Steps:**

- Write job description and hire assessment coordinator
- Work with assessment coordinator to consolidate assessment activities in one website, align program assessment and review activities