SLO Basics for Faculty
Understanding the Basics of SLOs and eLumen for Faculty
• Learning expectations are stated in the form of student learning outcomes (SLOs) and service expectations in the form of administrative unit objectives (AUOs).

• SLOs are broad statements about what students will think, know, feel or be able to do as a result of an educational experience.

• AUOs are statements about either what students will experience, receive or understand as a result of a given service or what the unit can provide, improve, increase or decrease.

• SLOs and AUOS must be assessed regularly
Role of Faculty

1. Understand the role of outcomes analysis in planning and evaluation.
2. Collect data on SLO achievement and input in eLumen
3. Participate in discipline/department dialog on SLO achievement results
4. Work with colleagues to develop plans for improvement based on SLO data
5. Implement action plans and assess effectiveness. More plans if necessary.
What Does SLO/AUO Assessment Tell Us?

• Conversations surrounding SLOs and AUOs aim to address the following questions:
• What were your expectations regarding student learning or student experiences?
• How did the actual student performances/student responses compare to the expected outcomes/objectives for your course/program/service?
• Are improvements needed?
• What can be done to improve student learning, student success or student experiences?
• What types of resources are necessary to meet your learning or service expectations?
Why Do We Have SLOs?
Accreditation

*Higher Education Act*

- Department of Education (DE)
- Council for Higher Education
- Accreditation (CHEA
- the accreditors’ accreditor)

*Strengthen Educational Resources*

Provide post-secondary students with financial aid
The Assessment Cycle

If an SLO Falls in the Woods.......?

- Write outcomes
- Communicate outcomes (provide instruction/services)
- Measure outcomes and collect data
- Store data (aggregated vs. disaggregated)
- Meet to discuss and analyze data results
- Create plan(s) for improvement
- Implement new plan(s) and collect more data
Working with eLumen
So What I Gotta Do?

• Basic navigation and logging in
• Assessment distribution and notification emails
• Finding your assessment and entering scores (with distribution)
• Finding your assessment and entering scores (without distribution)
• Responding to an action plan
Hi, The SLO for SPAN 216 to be measured in FA 14 is now available in eLumen. All SLO scores must be entered into eLumen no later than the last day of the grading period after the final exam. Contact Randy Beach at rbeach@swccd.edu with questions.