

 CSN Policy	Institutional Assessment Policy
Category: Faculty	Effective Date: 06/13/2018
<p style="text-align: center;">New policy</p>	

I. POLICY PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to describe assessment across the College of Southern Nevada.

II. POLICY STATEMENT

- A. Assessment at the College of Southern Nevada (CSN or College) has five purposes, related to the strategic plan and mission of the College:
 - Engage in a continuous process that is systematic and collaborative among faculty and staff to improve student success and to inform decision-making, policy initiatives, and resource allocation.
 - Ensure student learning proficiency in course, program, and institutional student learning outcomes.
 - Improve teaching, learning, and the collegiate experience among diverse students at the course, credential, and program level.
 - Conduct assessment to improve instruction and services and provide public accountability.
 - Serve as a complement to external compliance measures.
- B. To ascertain whether CSN students possess a common set of skills and dispositions, this policy establishes the following Institutional Learning Outcomes:
 - Apply critical thinking in a variety of situations.
 - Use effective communication in personal and professional contexts.
 - Collaborate professionally to benefit our diverse community.
- C. Institutional assessment takes place in many different areas in the College, in a decentralized approach. Each unit or division of the College determines the best way to measure assessment of student success. Assessment of academic units will occur as indicated in the Academic Assessment Policy.
- D. The Office of Assessment has the primary responsibility for coordinating assessment planning and reporting.

III. AUTHORITY AND CROSS REFERENCE LINKS

Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities Standard 4.A Assessment:

<http://www.nwccu.org/accreditation/standards-policies/standards/>

IV. DISCLAIMER

The President has the discretion to suspend or rescind all or any part of this policy or related procedure(s). The President shall notify appropriate CSN personnel, including the Administrative Code Officer and Faculty Senate Chair, of the suspension or rescission.

Questions about this policy should be referred to the CSN Administrative Code Officer (general.counsel@csn.edu, 702.651.7488) and/or the Recommending Authority.

V. SIGNATURES

Recommended by:

/s/ Jill Acree
Jill Acree, Faculty Senate Chair

6/7/18
Date

Reviewed for Legal Sufficiency:

/s/ Richard Hinckley
Richard Hinckley, General Counsel

6/6/18
Date

Approved by:

/s/ Dr. Margo Martin
Dr. Margo Martin, Acting CSN President

6/13/18
Date

VI. ATTACHMENTS

A. History

Attachment A

HISTORY

New Policy

- 06/13/2018: Approved by CSN President
- 06/06/2018: Reviewed by General Counsel
- 05/11/2018: Recommended by Faculty Senate (J. Acree)
- 04/13/2018: Submitted by Faculty Senate Executive Committee (D. Dockstader)