

AY 2021 ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES RESULTS



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AY 2021 - PROGRAM ASSESSMENT REPORT

Institutional Research and Assessment

The teaching and learning process revolves around student assessment, which has been the subject of much discussion in the scholarship of teaching and learning. We can never know whether our teaching is effective without obtaining and analyzing evidence of student learning. Thus, effective instruction requires some means of knowing whether students are learning the required knowledge and skills. Assessing students' learning is like holding a magnifying glass up to their learning to determine whether it is working well or needs to be improved.

Assessing and evaluating the quality of academics and support programs for students is essential to University of the People's success. Assessing student learning outcomes at the program level continues to be a focus of the assessment team in the Office of Institutional Research and Assessment.

AS/BS in Business Administration

Program Learning Outcomes	Target
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SLO 1. Students will be able to explain a framework in	
applying appropriate business models in decision-	Criteria of success - Met
making situations.	
SLO 2. Students will be able to identify and analyze	
business problems and opportunities and	Criteria of success - Met
formulate recommendations for courses of action.	
SLO 3. Students will be able to identify opportunities	
for new business ventures and evaluate their	Criteria of Success - Exceeded
potential for success.	
SLO 4. Students will be able to demonstrate the	
knowledge and skills needed to perform	Criteria of Success - Exceeded
effectively within a team environment.	
SLO 5. Students will be able to apply ethical reasoning	Criteria of Success – Exceeded
to business situations.	Criteria di Success – Exceeded
SLO 6 Students will be able to recognize the need to	
respond to ethical and legal concerns relating to	Criteria of Success – Exceeded
humanresource and organizational management.	
SLO 7. Students will be able to communicate using	
well-organized arguments and credible	Criteria of Success - Not Met
supporting evidence.	



Action Plan/Closing the Loop Plan for Next Year

- Add measurements using assignments graded by instructors for all program SLO
- Review Written Assignments used for measuring program SLO and enhance the information given to students and the information on the levels used for evaluating the peer works.
- Review PLO 5 and PLO 6 and find out if we can merge the two PLO into one PLO
- Review PLO 4 Students will be able to demonstrate the knowledge and skills needed to perform effectively within a team environment.
 - To find whether we can improve our courses to add content for students to gain learning on an effective team.
 - To find measurements to measure the PLO. Review the AACU VALUE rubric on teamwork to find out whether we can adopt the rubric.

AS/BS in Computer Science

Program Learning Outcomes	Target	
SLO 1: Students will be able to provide a framework for applying	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
strategies for the effective design of computing systems.		
SLO 2: Students will be able to explain and apply appropriate		
methods in the planning, development, and management of	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
design projects.		
SLO 3: Students will be able to cover the knowledge and skills		
needed to analyze problems from multiple perspectives and seek	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
resolution through multiple methods and tools.		
SLO 4: Students will be able to apply mathematical methods	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
effectively to analyze and resolve problems.		
SLO 5: Students will be able to communicate effectively using	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
well-organized arguments and credible supporting evidence.		
SLO 6: Students will be able to enhance their command of critical	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
thinking for computer ethics, privacy, and security.		

Action Plan/Closing the Loop Plan for Next Year

- Enhance measurements to assess program student learning outcomes such as adding interactive rubrics to courses to make the measurement stronger, and the instructor can assess more effectively.
 - AAL will work on reviewing the assignments for the portfolio and adding assessment rubrics to the portfolio.



- AAL will review the written assignment used for assessing the PLO and improve the assignments that do not have information for each aspect.
- Enhance assessment of student learning outcome process within the department by
 - Enhance faculty engagement with the assessment of student learning through Faculty Assessment Series - FAS,
 - o Implement Academic Assessment Leader

AS/BS in Health Science

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Program Learning Outcomes	Target		
SLO 1. Students will be able to explain the social and biological	Criteria of success - Met		
causes of health and illness.	Criteria di success - Met		
SLO 2 Students will be able to articulate a holistic view of the	Criteria of Success - Exceeded		
determinants of mental health and psychopathology.	Criteria di Success - Exceeded		
SLO 3. Students will be able to cover the knowledge and skills			
needed to perform effectively within the context of disease	Criteria of Success - Not Met		
prevention and the promotion of health.			
SLO 4. Students will be able to utilize team-building skills to lead	Insufficient Data/Not Assessed		
and/or co-lead collaborative projects to accomplish group goals.	Illsufficient Data/Not Assessed		
SLO 5. Students will be able to apply the basic principles of			
organizational theory to the relationship between health care and	Criteria of Success - Exceeded		
health.			
SLO 6. Students will be able to develop an understanding of			
the role of policy, ethics, and resources in the management of	Criteria of Success - Exceeded		
prevention programming and health service delivery.			
SLO 7. Students will be able to analyze ethical issues encountered	Criteria of Success - Partially		
in fostering disease prevention and the promotion of health as	Met		
they can affect individuals as well as communities.	iviet		
SLO 8. Students will be able to formulate responses to ethical and			
legal concerns relating to health service provision as well as health	Criteria of Success - Exceeded		
and medical research.			
SLO 9. Students will be able to communicate using well-	Criteria of success - Met		
organized arguments and credible supporting evidence.	Criteria di Successi ivict		

Action Plan/Closing the Loop Plan for Next Year

 Review the measurements and use instructor-graded assignments to measure the Program Learning Outcomes



- Re-assess the HS 2712 written assignment and modify the type of assignment to meet Program Learning Objectives.
- Meet with BIOI 1121 instructors and inquire about their observations regarding the assignment. Also, analyze and assess the ratio of the sample size among both genders to determine if there was a balance between the two genders.
- Reassess the written assignment of measurement 1(HS 2212). The assignment was
 given in the very first week of the course. Since this work requires a comprehensive
 understanding of reading a study report and then generalizing the findings. Making
 students go through such tasks in week one can be a reason for failing to achieve the
 criteria of success. Such assignments should be introduced gradually, once the students
 are trained enough in reading and summarizing a study report.
- Review the Health Science courses and find measurements to measure PLO 4

M.Ed.

Program Learning Outcomes	Target	
SLO 1. Students will be able to create and analyze	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
developmentally appropriate curricula.		
SLO 2. Students will be able to Create an effective learning		
environment by implementing practices based on the diversity of	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
their learners and the resources available to them.		
SLO 3. Students will be able to create lessons based on the	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
performance of learners on previous assessments.		
SLO 4. Students will be able to create a plan for continuing		
professional development that advances their professional	Insufficient Data/Not Assessed	
knowledge and skills, as well as contributes to their school and		
the broader community.		
SLO 5a. Students will be able to analyze the advantages of using		
the development instructional approach stages at various age	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
levels.		
SLO 5b. Students will be able to Identify and develop high-Impact		
pedagogical practices that help adolescents to stay resilient	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
within the school context.		

Action Plan/Closing the Loop Plan for Next Year

Strengthening the curriculum by redesigning three courses.
 Review the curriculum and redesign three courses to improve the curriculum EDUC 5240
 - Creating Positive Learning Environment as the Introductory level for creating lesson plans, EDUC 5270 - Advanced Practices for Teaching Elementary and Middle School



- Literacy (for Elementary Education), and EDUC 5280 Advanced Practices for Teaching Literature and Writing at the Secondary.
- Enhance measurements to assess program student learning outcomes such as adding interactive rubrics to courses to make the measurement stronger and the instructor can assess more effectively.

MBA

Program Learning Outcomes	Target	
SLO 1: Students will be able to differentiate the key sociological,		
psychological, and organizational concepts and theories necessary	Criteria of success - Met	
for effective leadership and management.		
SLO 2: Students will be able to formulate the knowledge and		
skills needed to plan, structure, manage, and	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
monitor organizations.		
SLO 3: Students will be able to apply to distinguish methods for		
improving productivity, responsiveness, quality, and	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
customer/client satisfaction.		
SLO 4: Students will be able to develop in-depth knowledge of		
operational areas and their functions, processes,	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
and interrelationships.		
SLO 5: Students will be able to develop cross-cultural awareness	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
and appraise today's global economy.	Criteria di Success - Exceeded	
SLO 6: Students will be able to develop creativity and problem-	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
solving strategies to formulate positive change.	Criteria di Success - Exceeded	
SLO 7: Students will be able to explain the importance of legal		
and ethical behavior on the part of the organization and	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
its members.		
SLO 8: Students will be able to develop increased self-awareness	Insufficient Data/Not Assessed	
and growth.	insumcient Data/Not Assessed	
SLO 9: Students will be able to create a network among peers	Insufficient Data/Not Assessed	
from around the globe.	msumcient Data/NOt Assessed	
SLO 10: Students will be able to construct clear, well-organized	Criteria of Success - Exceeded	
arguments supported by credible research-based evidence.	Criteria di Successi - Exceeded	

Action Plan/Closing the Loop Plan for Next Year

- Review the measurements used for assessing the PLO
- Improve the assignment graded by instructors and add rubrics so we can retrieve the assessment data.



GENERAL EDUCATION - AY 2021 REPORT

There are eight General Education core competencies with 16 learning outcomes.

- Exceed the criteria for success:13 learning outcomes (81%)
- Meet the criteria for success: 1 learning outcome (6%)
- Partially meet the criteria for success: 2 learning outcomes (13%)

1. Information Literacy

SLO 1. Students will be able to identify, gather, and		
analyze data from multiple sources and	Criteria for success - Partially Met	
evaluate information and its sources critically.		
SLO 2. Students will be able to use information effectively	Criteria for Success - Exceeded	
to accomplish a specific purpose.		
SLO 3. Students will be able to identify reliable sources for	Criteria for Success - Exceeded	
academic works and identify plagiarism		

Action Plan for Improvement

- Create better measurements and rubrics used by the instructor. Create at least two measurements and implemented them in AY 2023.
- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%

2. Quantitative Reasoning

SLO 1. Students will be able to apply appropriate quantitative reasoning and/or mathematical methods to solve problems.	Criteria for Success - Met
SLO2. Students will be able to interpret mathematical models to support conclusions and evaluate the findings	Criteria for success - Partially Met



Action Plan for Improvement

- 1. Create better measurements and add rubrics for better evaluation of calculative Mathematical questions will be created. At least two instructor assignments will be added to the assessment plan in Ay 2023.
- 2. Discussion Forums for MATH 1281 and MATH 1201 will be reviewed to enhance students' comprehension of the content. Instead of having open questions, a set of problems will be suggested for discussion.
- 3. The MATH 1281 Introduction to statistics will be redesigned with better course learning outcomes and no advanced tools such as R or Math Lab or SPSS, etc.
- 4. Create instructor-graded assignments to measure the SLO in AY 2023 by improving the Learning Journal.
- 5. The learning journal for Math 1201 will be changed to engage students in the content of the lessons.
- 6. The MATH 1281 Introduction to statistics will be redesigned with better course learning outcomes and to help students with advanced tools such as R or Math Lab or SPSS, etc. Learning journals will be improved to have better learning outcomes and help students understand the concept better.
- 7. Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%

3. Communication

SLO 1. Students will be able to demonstrate an ability		
to develop thoughts and ideas in a logical and	Criteria for Success - Exceeded	
organized manner.		
SLO 2. Students will be able to produce persuasive ideas		
using high-quality evidence collected from appropriate,	Criteria for Success - Exceeded	
and properly cited, academic resources		
SLO 3. Students will be able to execute proper delivery	Criteria for Success - Exceeded	
techniques to convey a clear message	Citteria for Success - Exceeded	

Action Plan for Improvement

- Review the peer-to-peer measurement used and improve them to make sure that students are using the level and not the points when they are assessing the assignments.
- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%



- Improve the peer-to-peer assessment used for assessing the SLO by adding clear information for each level or by setting up the Moodle Workshop based on the levels and not based on the points. The points will be calculated behind the scene. The improvement will be implemented in AY 2023
 - o ENVS 1301 Unit 6
 - o AHIST 1401 Unit 7
 - o ENGL 1405 Unit 6
 - o ENGL 1102
 - o POLS 1503 Unit 4 and Unit 7
 - o HIST 1421 Unit 1
- Add rubrics for the assignments graded by instructors.
 - ENGL 1405 Unit 6 Implemented in AY 2022-T4 Measuring SLO 1, 2, and 3
 - o ENGL 1102 Unit 8 Implemented in AY 2022-T4 Measuring SLO1, 2, and 3

4. Values and Ethical Reasoning

SLO 1. Students will be able to explain ethical dilemmas across various	Criteria for Success -
contexts	Exceeded
SLO 2. Students will be able to objectively analyze differing perspectives	Criteria for Success -
and value systems and relate them to their own beliefs.	Exceeded

Action Plan for Improvement

- Improve written assignments in PHIL 1402 (Unit 5) and PHIL 1404 (Unit 4) give better information to students regarding the level used for assessment.
- Add assignments graded by instructors to assess SLO 1 and SLO 2
- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%

5. Civilization Studies, Culture, and Belief

SLO1. Students will be able to reflect on the role of humanities and	Criteria for Success -
history in shaping social culture.	Exceeded
SLO2. Students will be able to analyze the role of humanities in	Criteria for Success -
understanding cultures of the world	Exceeded

Summary

There are two SLOs. Criteria for success were met: 72% for SLO1 and 74% for SLO2



Action plan for next year

- Review the AHIST 1401 course learning outcomes and add " cultural globalization"
- Add measurement graded by faculty for assessing SLO 1 and SLO 2 using AHIST 1401 and HIST 1421.
- Review the written assignment for AHIST 1401 and HIST 1421 and make the level clear for students by adding information on each level of the grading point for SLO 1 and SLO
 2
- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%

6. Discipline Areas of Knowledge Requirement

6.1. Humanities

SLO 1. Students will be able to recognize human experience in art history	Criteria for Success -
as it is linked to historical events and cultural trends.	Exceeded

Action plan for next year

- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%
- Review and update instructor-graded assignments in AHIST 1401 and HIST 1421
 - o HIST 1421 Unit 4 Learning Journal Implementation is AY 2023-T1
 - o AHIST 1401 Unit 4 Learning Journal Implementation is AY 2023 T1
 - o HIST 1421 WA2 -Unit 2 Learning Journal Implementation is AY 2023 T1
- There is no information for each level on the written assignments in AHIST 1401 and HIST 1421. It makes the peer review more subjective because everybody will have a different definition for each level.
 - Review AHIST 1401 Unit 7 WA and add levels to assess the assignment.
 Implemented in 2023 T1.
 - o Review HIST 1421 Unit WA

6.2. Social and Behavioral Sciences

SLO 1. Students will be able to analyze the complexity of social, political,	Criteria for Success -
economic, and cultural diversity throughout the world	Exceeded

Action Plan for Next Year

• Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%



- Add information for the assessment level on the Written Assignment rubrics for POLS 1503 (Unit 1 - WA) and ECON 1580 (Unit 1 - WA)
- Add instructor-graded measurements to measure the PLO
 - POLS 1503 Unit 1 Learning Journal Creating a rubric to assess the learning journal
 - POLS 1503 Globalization Researching some possible textbooks for the course can assist with closing the loop.

6.3. Natural Science

SLO 1. Students will be able to describe the methods of inquiry that leads	Criteria for Success -
to scientific reasoning	Exceeded
SLO 2. Students will be able to recognize the foundation of the physical	Criteria for Success -
and life sciences and their applications	Exceeded

Action Plan for Next Year

- Change the criteria for success from 70% to 75%
- Add instructor-graded measurement to measure the GE SLOs
- Review the measurement used for assessing the SLO. The data from the AY 2021 measurement for SLO 1 showed different findings for measurement 1 and measurement 2
- Review the Learning Journal assignments and explore the creation of rubrics that will assist students with addressing the objectives.