The University Assessment Council

Minutes
September 26, 2017
210D Reese Phifer

Attendance: Viola Acoff, Ginger Bishop, Chris Coleman, George Daniels, Sarah Fitzgerald, Holly Hallmann, James Hardin, Andrew Hester, Robin Lawson, Mary Kay Meyer, Lesley Reid, Cecil Robinson, Tim Salazar, Marilyn Staffo, Kevin Walker, Eric Williams, Javonda Williams

- Tim Salazar gave an overview of assessment initiatives in Student Life/Student Affairs (*Assessment Spotlight*). He described examples of how departments use data to drive planning and interventions related to the Division's strategic goals. The data, which are gathered at the student level (demographics, GPA, participation in programs, etc.), inform prediction models (e.g., retention) that help identify at-risk subroups for whom focused interventions can be developed and delivered. Because the database is longitudinal, the impact of interventions can be evaluated.

- Mary Kay Meyer described the SACSCOC Summer Institute as one of the most valuable conferences she has attended. She has scheduled several professional development sessions to share information with CHES faculty (e.g., on transparency in the classroom).

- Chris Coleman noted that Kathleen Yancey (FSU), who delivered an ePortfolio workshop at the SACSCOC Summer Institute, has accepted an invitation to visit UA in February 2018. She will offer workshops on using ePortfolios for teaching, learning, and assessment. The Provost will soon distribute a survey to gauge interest in specific topics.

- OIE Assessment Update: For units on the Academic reporting cycle, reports are due on October 2nd. Some coordinators may need help with the 3-step "submit report" process.

- On 9/23, it was announced that LiveText has joined the Taskstream-Tk20 family. The merger is said to have no immediate consequences for users of either system.

Meeting adjourned
Because most OIE staff will be attending the Assessment Institute at IUPUI (10/22-24), the October UAC meeting has been rescheduled from 10/24 to 10/31 (2pm, 210D Reese Phifer)