

2017-2018 Assessment Cycle ARTS_Industrial Design BID

Mission (due 12/4/17)

University Mission

The University of Louisiana at Lafayette offers an exceptional education informed by diverse worldviews grounded in tradition, heritage, and culture. We develop leaders and innovators who advance knowledge, cultivate aesthetic sensibility, and improve the human condition.

University Values

We strive to create a community of leaders and innovators in an environment that fosters a desire to advance and disseminate knowledge. We support the mission of the university by actualizing our core values of equity, integrity, intellectual curiosity, creativity, tradition, transparency, respect, collaboration, pluralism, and sustainability.

University Vision

We strive to be included in the top 25% of our peer institutions by 2020, improving our national and international status and recognition.

College / VP and Program / Department Mission

Mission of College or VP-area

Provide the mission for the College or VP-area in the space provided. If none is available, write "None Available in 2017-2018."

Mission: The College of the Arts prepares students to be creative, critical and responsive professionals through our fine arts, design and performance programs. We serve our students and communities by means of collaborative, experiential, innovative, and globally relevant learning opportunities and partnerships.

Vision: The College of the Arts seeks to create a bridge between the arts and cultures of the world and the unique context and traditions of Acadiana.

1. Values:

2. We are passionate about delivering exceptional teaching and mentoring, supported by faculty research and creative activity.

3. We foster individual as well as collaborative initiatives in the arts, among the arts, and with other disciplines.

4. We encourage teaching and learning rooted in traditional approaches and integrating evolving concepts and technologies.

5. We strive to attract, build and celebrate a diverse body of students, faculty and staff.

6. We enhance the cultural, civic and artistic environment of Lafayette, Acadiana, and all of Louisiana through community engagements of students, faculty and alumni.

7. We seek to achieve the highest standards of professionalism in all that we produce.

Mission of Program / Department

Provide the program / department mission in the space provided. The mission statement should concisely define the purpose, functions, and key constituents. If none is available, write "None Available in 2017-2018."

Industrial design encourages collaborative and experiential learning with diverse disciplines to create a hands-on learning environment that is conducive to creative exploration. We emphasize a broad understanding and sensitivity to environmental and social concerns, while working to develop critical thinking and problem solving skills. We want students to advance in industrial design with the knowledge that user needs, universal design, sustainability, human-centered design, and ergonomics all play an integral role in industrial design. We work with students to advance industrial design knowledge, cultivate aesthetic sensibilities, and improve the material conditions and the needs of people and their environments. In Industrial Design, students become proficient in drawing, visual communication, graphic layout, form development and physical/digital model making. In addition, Industrial Design wants to always seek out new

methodologies to incorporate technology into the curriculum, such as advanced computer modeling, photorealistic rendering, rapid prototyping, and CNC milling. We want students to be well prepared for the professional design world and have the ability and passion to make a positive contribution to the betterment of humankind through teaching, research, practice, and service.

Attachment (optional)

Upload any documents which support the program / department assessment process.

Assessment Plan (due 12/4/17)

Assessment Plan (Goals / Objectives, Assessment Measures and Criteria for Success)

Assessment List

Goal/Objective	Design Cultivate student ability to design products and systems with a foundational understanding of how products and systems are made.(Imported)		
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Standards/Outcomes			
Assessment Measures			
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Program / Department Assessment Narrative

The primary purpose of assessment is to use data to inform decisions and improve programs (student learning) and departments (operations); this is an on-going process of defining goals and expectations, collecting results, analyzing data, comparing current and past results and initiatives, and making decisions based on these reflections. In the space below, describe the program's or department's overall plan for improving student learning and/or operations (the "assessment plan"). Consider the following:

- 1) What strategies exist to assess the outcomes?
- 2) What does the program/department expect to achieve with the goals and objectives identified above?
- 3) How might prior or current initiatives (improvements) influence the anticipated outcomes this year?
- 4) What is the plan for using data to improve student learning and/or operations?
- 5) How will data be shared within the Program/Department (and, where appropriate, the College/VP-area)?

Assessment Process

- 1) What strategies exist to assess the outcomes?

Currently, the program meets at the end of each semester and has an assignment called the Desk Crit. Here the student displays all projects, and project parts, from the semester. The Faculty review each student's work and determine if they are prepared to go into the next semester or year. With the new change in assessment, we have developed a rubric that is based on our NASAD accreditation and implemented it Spring 17. We will use this for the 17/18 year and reassess if it works.

- 2) What does the program/department expect to achieve with the goals and objectives identified above?

We want to improve the program in terms of assessment as well as student learner outcomes. If students acquire more knowledge or get more out of the program, it is our belief that they will have a greater success rate in the professional field.

- 3) How might prior or current initiatives (improvements) influence the anticipated outcomes this year?

At the end of the last assessment cycle, the program met to determine the new plans for the 17/18 year. We have taken those plans and incorporated them into our studios this year and will determine in SP 18 if that incorporation was successful or not.

- 4) What is the plan for using data to improve student learning and/or operations?

The data collected showed the program faculty the deficiencies in the 16/17 cycle. Our goal is to use the data collected for our NASAD accreditation to show improvement as well as proactive measures and action plans on how to do that.

- 5) How will data be shared within the Program/Department (and, where appropriate, the College/VP-area)?

The data is shared with the program multiple times throughout each semester. At the end of the semester, we have a formal meeting to discuss the progress, the desk crit, and then share the results with the faculty, the department director, and he will share with the dean.

Results & Improvements (due 9/15/18)

Results and Improvement Narratives

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					<p>confidence. For the seniors who are presenting for the Merit Competition, we can begin earlier and provide more opportunities to practice.</p>
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Reflection (Due 9/15/18)

Reflection

The primary purpose of assessment is to use data to inform decisions and improve programs and operations; this is an on-going process of defining goals and expectations, collecting results, analyzing data, comparing current and past results and initiatives, and making decisions based on these reflections. Recalling this purpose, respond to the questions below.

1) How were assessment results shared in the program / department?

Please select all that apply. If "other", please use the text box to elaborate.

- Distributed via email
- Presented formally at staff / department / committee meetings (selected)
- Discussed informally (selected)
- Other (explain in text box below)

2) How frequently were assessment results shared?

- Frequently (>4 times per cycle) (selected)
- Periodically (2-4 times per cycle)
- Once per cycle
- Results were not shared this cycle

3) With whom were assessment results shared?

- Please select all that apply.*
- Department Head (selected)
- Dean / Asst. or Assoc. Dean
- Departmental assessment committee (selected)
- Other faculty / staff

4) Consider the impact of prior applied changes. Specifically, compare current results to previous results to evaluate the impact of a previously reported change. Demonstrate how the use of results improved student learning and/or operations.

The last cycle was the first cycle using the new changes that aligned with NASAD accreditation. The program hosted the accreditation team in the spring semester (SP 18) and, even though we are still waiting on the results, the initial report was positive. Changes made to the initial LiveTEXT (15/16) were focused on 5 main areas in which an Industrial Designer should be competent. With the changes, different objectives became clearer and now have specific components that the faculty can evaluate. For example:

15/16:

Drawing Skills: Ability to communicate within a two dimensional format
 criterion- Student comprehension of stroke, line weight, perspective, core and cast shadows, and rendering techniques.
 Students showed 80% competency in this area.

17/18:

Sketching- Increase the use of tools and technologies associated with digital and analog 2-dimensional design visualization, conceptualization, evaluation, and the creation of design alternatives.

criterion-

- How proficient are the students at ideation visualization (design sketching) for the communication of their proposed design concepts
- Did the student show exploration and a developed thought process through their sketching
- How proficient is the student at form development for their proposed design concept
- How well does the student understand Primary, Secondary, and Tertiary form
- How well did the student exhibit an understanding of light and shadow

With a more comprehensive definition and more detailed criterion for all objectives, the faculty are able to instruct on each topic and assign projects that provide more opportunity to evaluate student performance resulting in an improvement in our results. Since these changes are still recent, the unit will continue to use these objectives and criterion for the next few cycles.

5) Over the past three assessment cycles, what has been the overall impact of "closing the loop"? Provide examples of improvements in student learning, program quality, or department operations that are directly linked to assessment data and follow-up analysis.

The 15/16 cycle was developed more from obligation rather than a true understanding of the system and how it can help us improve. All of the things that the unit were currently doing, the end of the semester desk critiques and evaluation of student progress, could be documented in LiveTEXT to assist in the further development of student learning/success as well as help with placement after graduation. In the spring of 2018, the program went through an accreditation. In the lead up to the accreditation, it was found that there was not a consistent report of student progress and the Weave website was too difficult to get any documentation. With the change to LiveTEXT and the accreditation, the unit decided to develop goals that were based on the accreditation standards and use those to better suit the students and allow for better reporting for future accreditation. The recent NASAD inspired rubric identified areas where the unit can improve. The unit has been evaluating those areas for the past cycle. There has been improvement but the unit wishes to continue reporting on the goals and objectives, within the current criterion, for the next few cycles to truly have a baseline standard to base evaluations on. One example of current improvements is illustrated in the above question. The comprehensive definition, as well as detailed criterion, provide the faculty with the ability to see, on all levels, how the students perform and that they were all evaluated at the same time on the same portion of the assessment.

Attachments (optional)

Upload any documents which support the program / department assessment process.

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