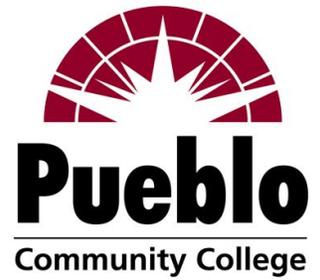




# ASSESSMENT NEWS & TIPS



PCC Assessment of Student Learning Newsletter

May 2017

### **Share Your Accomplishments in Promoting Student Learning!**

Don't forget: each department is expected to share at least one recent assessment project of any kind (for course, program, institution, or even accreditation purposes!) to be featured at our first annual Assessment Showcase Celebration. Make sure to submit your [Submission Forms](#) **before you leave for summer** so you don't get left out of the show!

### **Finish Spring 2017 Assessment**

All faculty are required to assess at least one student learning outcome in one course this semester, so be sure to score your students' work while finalizing their grades to kill two birds with one stone! Record your students' scores in eLumen **by the 5/15 grading deadline**, and then you can enjoy your summer more blissfully—without assessment hanging over your head!

### **Assessment of Student Learning @PCC Blog**

BOOKMARK THIS PAGE: [PUEBLOCCASSESSMENT.WORDPRESS.COM](http://PUEBLOCCASSESSMENT.WORDPRESS.COM)

The new Assessment @PCC Blog will be your one-stop shop for anything and everything related to assessment: newsletter archives, upcoming events, timelines, goals and plans, training resources, eLumen access and guides, current activities and forms, recent results and reports... the list goes on! **It'll be your primary source for assessment information moving forward!**

### **Find Assessment**

No rubric waiting for you when you log into eLumen? Not to worry! You can always link rubrics to your classes from your faculty role by (1) selecting the "Find Assessment" button. All of our Institution-level Rubrics, including those used provisionally in Fall 2016 and the newly created and revised versions for Spring 2017, will appear in the list. Just (2) select one and (3) click "Add to Section," and you're off to the races! And finally, (4) give your Department Chair a hard time about not having done it for you already. 😊

Find Assessment

Add to Section

### **Congratulations on an Amazing Year!**

The entire Assessment Committee would like to sincerely thank you for all your hard work over the past year. Thanks to your efforts and support, we've made astounding progress in building a sustainable framework for meaningful institutional assessment, and your accomplishments have not gone unnoticed. PCC is on track to become a true leader in the field of assessment. Take a well-deserved bow and round of applause—and keep up the GREAT work!

### **Upcoming Events & Opportunities for Involvement**

- [Open Scoring Session](#): 10:00-2:00 on 5/5 (GC 234C & WebEx)—drop in any time for this hands-on workshop to get an eLumen refresher, enter scores for your Spring classes, and cross assessment off your to-do list before summer!
- Every M/W 1-3 **eLumen/Assessment Office Hours** (AB 250W)

*"It is no longer beyond the capacity of a college or university to articulate expectations for learning, to document student progress toward these expectations, and to use the resulting evidence to improve student success...doing this job, and doing it well, is within our grasp."*

~Peter Ewell et al. 2017

### **April's Best Practice**

**Celebrate good work.** Find ways to recognize those faculty, administrators, and staff that have used assessment results to improve the learning and student support environment on campus.

"Learning Outcomes Assessment in Community Colleges" (Nunley et al. 2011)

### **eLumen Feature: Add Activity**

A recent eLumen update allows us to link information about the activities we assess directly to the rubrics—**no more RFIs!** Just select "Add Activity" to enter a title and brief description of the assignment, then you can open the rubric and enter scores as usual!

### **Terminology Tip: "Improvement Plan"**

An improvement plan identifies gaps in student learning revealed through assessment results and plans specific action steps to fill those gaps, such as changes to instruction, course materials, curriculum, or to assessment practices.

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### **Shanna Montoya**

*Thank you for allowing me to serve as your Assessment Chair this year, it was a great experience!*

*You all will be truly missed!!!*