

ASSESSMENT NEWS & TIPS



Assessment of Student Learning Newsletter

September/October 2022

Introducing Our New Assessment Committee Chair!

Please join us in welcoming our **new Assessment of Student Learning Committee Chair, Amanda Mayes!** Amanda has been a valuable member of the PCC community for 5 years now, including serving as a member of the Assessment Committee for 3 years, as the STEM club advisor since 2019, and as a faculty member of the science department since 2018.

Amanda is committed to continuous improvement and lifelong learning. She currently plans to start her work on her doctorate in STEM Educational Practice and Innovation this spring and is working closely with her fellow colleagues on developing PCC's first STEM undergraduate research laboratory.

Outside of work, Amanda has been blessed with beautiful 3 children (all under the age of 5) with her husband Mark. She enjoys experimenting with new recipes, and most days you will find her outside with her husband and children tending to the chickens, gardening, or simply playing with the family dog.

The committee is very excited to welcome Amanda into this important role, and we are looking forward to benefiting from her leadership moving forward!

Our New Assessment Chair!



Amanda Mayes

Science Faculty
and
Assessment of
Student Learning
Committee Chair

What Are You Assessing this Semester?

Don't forget that *all faculty and instructors* are expected to complete **at least one assessment** in at least one class *each semester*—more are encouraged!

What does that entail? Pick at least **one rubric**—such as one of our [College-wide Rubrics](#), or one developed specifically for your department or course—and also **one assignment or project** in at least **one of your classes** that allows your students to demonstrate the skills it describes. Then, score your students' performance according to the rubric and enter the scores into eLumen.

Not sure how to use eLumen? Check out these upcoming workshops! →

And don't forget, assessment scores are due by the grading deadline, which is **MONDAY, DECEMBER 19!**

Upcoming Workshops

Back by popular demand! A lot of you have expressed interest in attending **eLumen Basic Training/ Refresher Workshops**—especially if you are new to PCC or have not yet gotten training on how to use our assessment platform, be sure to register for a session below!

Fri 10/21 1PM ([Register Here!](#))

Tue 10/25 10AM ([Register Here!](#))

Wed 10/26 1PM ([Register Here!](#))

Fri 10/28 10AM ([Register Here!](#))

Can't make it at any of these times?

Submit a [Support Request](#) to schedule a one-on-one or small group training session!

Timeline Reminders

Faculty & Instructors: As we reach mid-term, don't forget to keep track of the recommended timeline for [Semesterly Assessment Tasks](#)—by week 8, you should be working with your Department Chairs to **determine a plan for what you will assess** this semester. Review the available rubrics and make sure your Chair knows which one you want to use and in which class!

Chairs & Coordinators: Want a way to keep track of who is assessing what? Use this [Assessment Planning Worksheet](#) to create a concise log for all your instructors each semester. *Pro tip: Need to send out rubrics in eLumen? Send your completed Assessment Planning Worksheet to [Liz](#) for help!*

Resources & Opportunities

Assessment @PCC Blog: [PCCassess.com](#) ([rubrics](#), [glossary](#), [eLumen guides](#))

Timeline & Support: [Semesterly Task Checklist](#), [Support Request Form](#)

ASL Committee Meetings: 3rd Tuesdays 3:30-5:00 (contact for WebEx link)

Assessment Office Hours: M/W 1:00-3:00 & by appointment (AB 250W/[WebEx](#))

Contact Information

We are here to support YOU!!!

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### Assessment Leadership

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