

Committee on Assurance of Student Learning Bylaws

The Committee on Assurance of Student Learning responsibilities shall be to serve as an advisory body to the Campus Senate and Administration on the state of assessment of student learning within each of the academic colleges. The responsibility for assessing student learning within the general education curriculum will reside in the General Education Council. The responsibility for assessing student learning within ECCE and other university graduation requirements will reside in the University Requirements Council. Colleges bear the primary responsibility for ensuring that the learning outcomes associated with the academic curriculum of each program is assessed, and that changes in curriculum are guided by the assessment of student learning outcomes.

The function of the Committee on Assurance of Student Learning is to serve, in a consultative role, to monitor student learning outcomes as well as the assessment of student learning within the university, and to support and assist the administration to improve student learning and assessment of student learning as requested.

The Provost may delegate on an annual basis the assessment activities carried out by CASL.

1) Duties

The duties of the Committee on Assurance of Student Learning are to:

- a) Study, develop, and encourage policies that assess student learning vis-à-vis baccalaureate skills, general education, and academic programs; and
- b) Provide continuing assistance and support to assessment activities;
- c) Foster best practices of assessment across the campus and
- d) Communicate and cooperate with other campus and University units and committees on assessment policy issues; and

- e) Make reports and recommendations, each academic year making at least one report to the Senate, the Deans of degree-granting colleges, and other units and officials of the campus and University.

The Committee shall establish subcommittees on a standing or temporary basis as it deems necessary to carry out its duties.

2) Membership and Terms

The Committee shall consist of five faculty members appointed by the Campus Senate, one from each degree-granting college and one from the Library. This committee will also include one student appointed by the Student Government Association to serve a one year term. Ex-officio members are the Associate Vice Chancellor for Undergraduate Education or designee, the Associate Vice Chancellor for Graduate Education or designee, the Director of the Capital Scholars Honor Program or designee, and the Director of the Center for Online Learning, Research and Service. Faculty shall serve three-year staggered terms. Each spring semester the committee shall elect a chair from the ranks of faculty whose term will begin in the summer session.