To: Tih-Fen Teng, Chair, UIS Faculty Senate

From: Sara Cordell, Chair, CASL

Re: Annual Senate Report on April 22, 2011

Date: April 13, 2011

During AY 2010-11, the Committee on the Assessment of Student Learning accomplished the following projects and goals.

- Completed and launched the CASL website which includes the history of CASL, the updated Assessment Status Schedule; CASL Reporting Guidelines and Checklist, the template for the Program Assessment Report (PAR), the Assessment 101 Workshop, various historical documents, and further readings on assessment.

- Completed and launched the Assessment 101 Workshop, a series of six modules covering the basics of assessment, from what it is, to why we do it, through collecting data, developing tools of measurement, interpreting data, and making good use of the results.

- Invited Beverly Bunch to the April 19 meeting to discuss writing FAQs on accredited programs to include on the website.

- Held a brown bag workshop on assessment on April 12 from 1:00-3:00 for representatives of the three departments—CS, CHEM, PHI—whose Program Assessment Reports are to be submitted to CASL by May 15, 2011

Plans for AY 2011-11:

- CASL will review the reports submitted May 15th over the summer and provide feedback to the programs early in the fall semester.

- In addition, the committee will be busy planning and holding workshops for the programs submitting assessment reports in May 2012.

- CASL will continue to revise and improve the website in order to ensure its continuing relevancy and usefulness for the various constituencies which use it.