

Co-curricular Assessment of Student Learning

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Career and Employment Services



Guiding You from College to Career

Kansas State University

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LIBRARIES

“The whole campus is a learning community. Examination of desired outcomes must occur at every level of the institution – from the university mission and vision to specific programs and activities.”

Overview

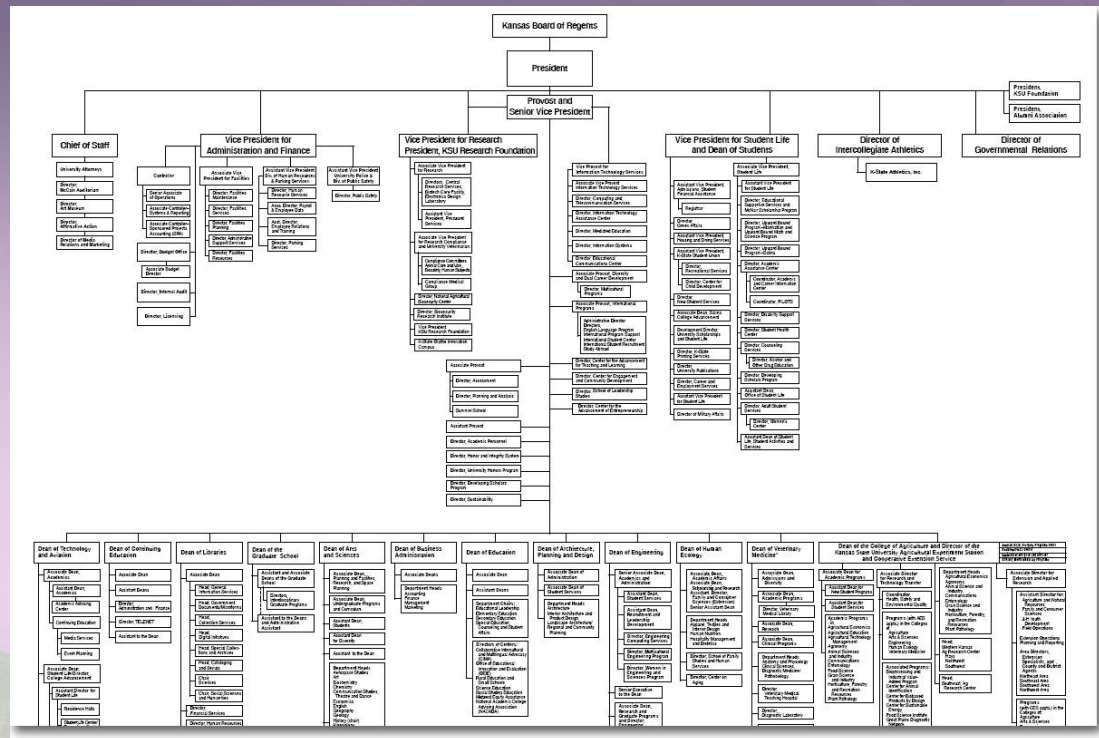
- Examining out-of-classroom challenges
- Connecting to broader SLOs
- Reviewing our methods
- Sharing our results
- Closing the loop



Audience Question

How do you think co-curricular assessment might differ from curricular assessment?

The Silo Effect



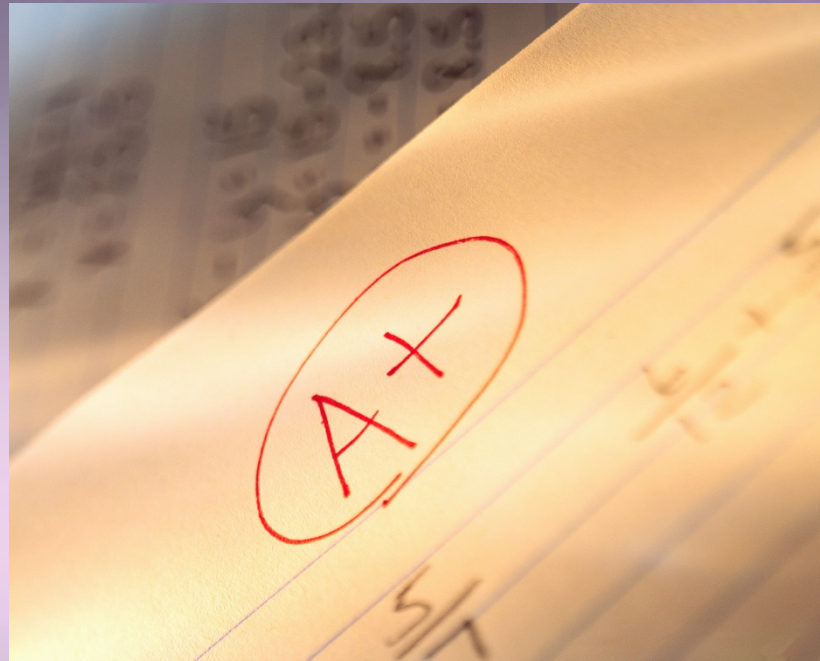
What Happened vs. What Changed



Time Limitations



Few “Tests”



Unit SLOs: K-State Libraries

- Student's understanding of research as an active endeavor will be reinforced
- Students will be aware of plagiarism issues and tool available for documenting resources
- Students will construct a methodology for tackling broad and general research ideas
- Students will demonstrate their information literacies
- Students will demonstrate that they know where and how to seek additional research help

Unit SLOs: CES

By utilizing CES services and resources, students will be able to:

- Make decisions about career options
- Create well-written resumes
- Communicate effectively in interviews
- Conduct successful job searches

Linkages to University SLOs

CES SLO: Create
well-written
resumes

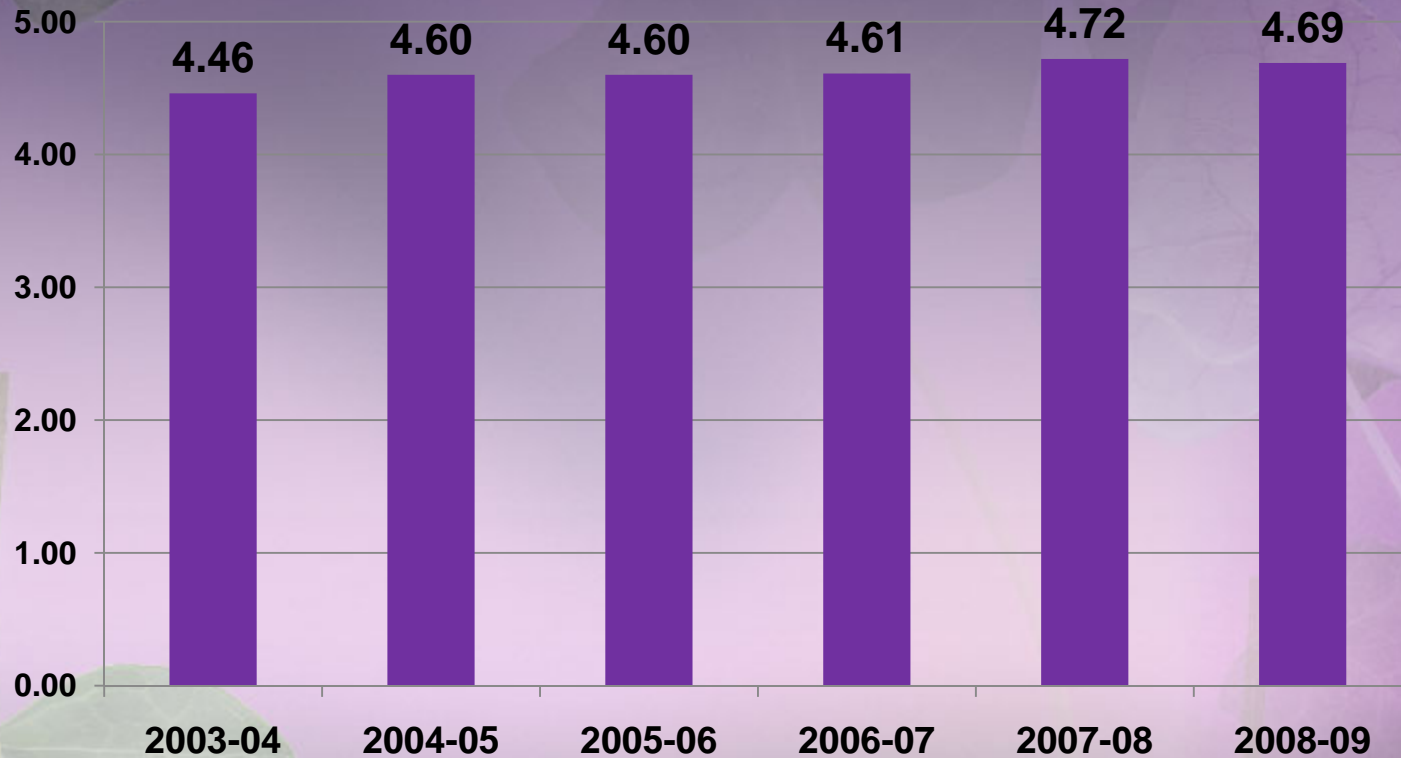
STUDENT LIFE SLO:
Transfer knowledge and
skills to career
opportunities

UNIVERSITY SLO: Communication

CES Methods and Results

- Career advising survey
- Blind evaluation of resumes
- Mock interview surveys and feedback
- Post-graduation survey data cross-referenced with CES usage data

Advising Survey



Resume Evaluation

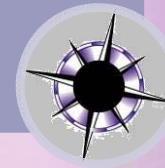
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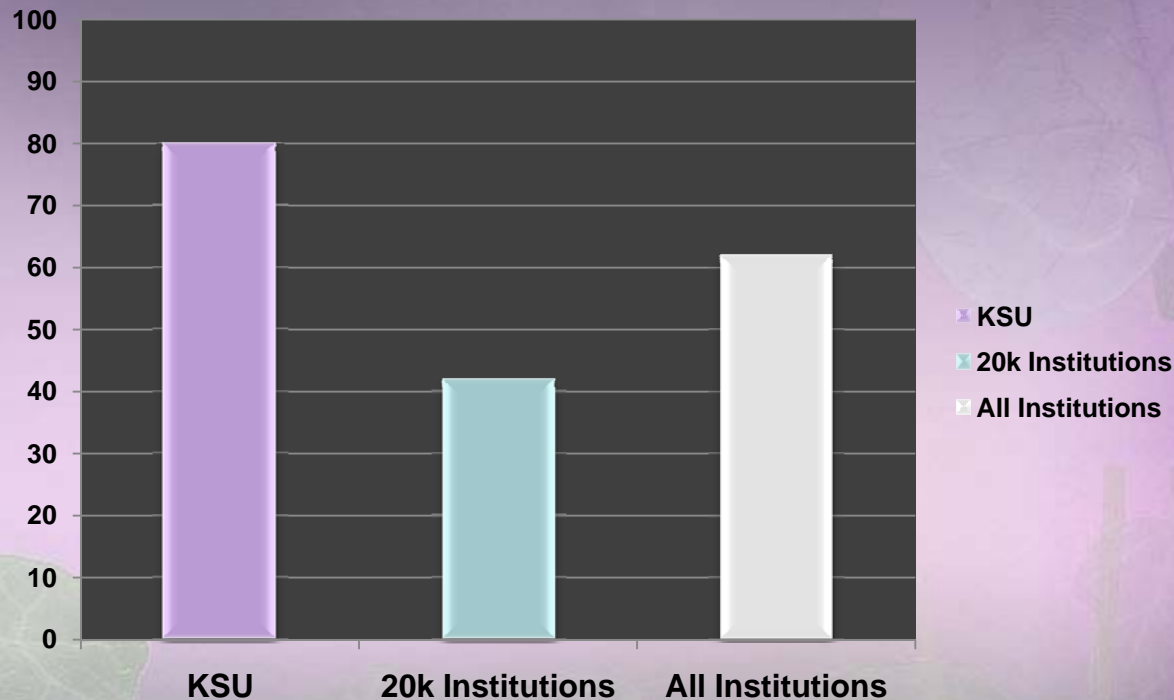
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Post-Graduation Data

Percentage of Data Collected



K-State Libraries Methods and Results

- Partner with Expository Writing and Public Speaking classes
 - Difficult to measure outcomes and see what effect library instruction has on student work

K-State Libraries

Past Assessment Attempts

- Project SAILS (Standardized Assessment of Information Literacy Skills)
 - 2004 and 2006
 - Scores fall into “middle range” and all schools have similar data
- LibQual
 - 2007
 - Service quality assessment, not student learning outcomes

Closing the Loop



So What? K-State Libraries

- Creighton University: assessment of effect of library employment on learning outcomes for student employees
- Continuing to work with English and Communication Studies

So What? CES

- Emphasis on resume assistance
- More walk-in advising
- Need for experiential learning
- Emphasis on relationship-building with faculty and K-State community
- Evidence that we do contribute to student learning!

Questions?

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