

ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR



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Physical Education and Recreation

(Instructional Degree Program)

Nov 2004 to Oct 2006

(Assessment Period Covered)

AS: Recreation Emphasis

(Degree Level)

Sept. 2005

(Date Submitted)

Revised Report

Mission Linkage:

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Goals (refer to Strategic Plan): We will encourage active, experiential learning to engage students in learning and help students develop critical thinking and problem solving skills that support the understanding, application, and relevant key concepts and ideas in their respective disciplines.

Intended Educational (Student) Outcomes:

1. Students will gain knowledge and experiential learning in the principles and foundations of recreation.

2. 50% of students will graduate with an associate degree in 2 years

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Intended Educational (Student) Outcome:

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1a.

Students will gain knowledge and experiential learning in foundational principles of physical education.

First Means of Assessment for Outcome Identified Above:**1. a. Means of Program Assessment & Criteria for Success:**

Students enrolled in the Associate's degree program will complete coursework in the areas of foundational recreation education, general outdoor recreation management, and skill acquisition. In lieu of a standardized exam for the discipline, students will complete an exam/questionnaire after completing the Associate's degree. The exam has been designed to assess integrative abilities relative to knowledge, critical thinking skills, and problem solving skills as they relate to the discipline. This exam/questionnaire will be administered in the PES and REC 2700 and/or PES 3270 at the end of each semester. Criteria for success will be accomplished when 70% of these students score at least to the 75% level.

a. Summary of Assessment Data Collected:

3 students in REC and 3 students in PE were pursuing associate degrees during the fall 05 assessments. These students were evaluated and not separated from the major students evaluated in these courses as these students are gaining the associate degree as they progressed through their BA/BS degrees in PE and Recreation (see BA/BS assessments for outcome 1 for PE Exercise Science emphasis and PE Outdoor Recreation Management emphasis).

AA/AS students completed a survey that queried their opinions regarding competency in critical thinking and problem solving within the PE and Recreation disciplines. Our criterion for success was that students scored items 1 and 2 on the survey with an average score of 3 or higher (scale 1=poor; 5=excellent).

a. Use of Results to Improve Instructional Program:

Scores for items 1 and 2:

1. This class helped me develop my critical thinking and problem solving skills.
2. I believe the strength of my own critical thinking and problem solving skills is: were 4.17, and 4.17, respectively, indicating success for this criterion.

Data summary:

AA/AS PE/Rec							
							n=5
Item #							Avg Score
1	3.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.17
2	3.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.17
3	4.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	4.00
4	3.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	3.50
5	3.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	1.00	5.00	3.50
6	5.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	4.67
7	5.00	4.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	5.00	4.67
8	4.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.83

b. Use of Results to Improve Instructional Program:

Based on the results summarized above, we will continue to emphasize critical thinking and problem solving skills over the course of the PE and Recreation curriculum. Also, we are focusing on professional certification preparedness across the curriculum. Students are able to sit for certification exams as they progress across the curriculum and, although we continue to offer the AA/AS options, we believe that professional certification pursuits better serve the students. Thus we will continue to offer quality lower- and upper-division course work that support the professional competencies across the entire curriculum to facilitate quality AA/AS graduates as well as promote certification preparedness.

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2a.

50% of students will graduate in 2 years.

First Means of Assessment for Outcome Identified Above:

2 a.

Assessment of "timely completion of an Associate's degree in Physical Education with an emphasis in Recreation will be provided through analysis of graduation statistics from the graduate office and through exit questionnaires that probe students' responses to questions related to the time it took them to complete the program, factors that were helpful, and what barriers they encountered.

Criteria for success will be that 50 % of students complete the AA in 2 years and to develop strategies to promote timely program completion.

a. Summary of Assessment Data Collected:

Given that we have so few AA/AS majors, we assessed the students without the help of the graduation office using a questionnaire. Both PE and Rec emphases for the AA/AS were assessed together (3 Rec students and 3 PE student).

Students were asked how long it would take or took to complete their AA/AS degree.

DATA:

yrs to grad AA/AS	2.00	2.00	3.50	BA data given	2.00	2.38
% 2 years to grad = 3/4 = 75%						

Data indicate that >50% (75%) of students surveyed completed (or will complete) their degree in 2 years indicating success for this criterion.

a. Use of Results to Improve Instructional Program:

The AA/AS degrees have been modified slightly to keep them in line with the BA/BS degrees that are now offered. This allows for smooth transition from the associate program to the BA/BS program. This alignment process has not interfered with 2 year graduation mark for associate program students and no further curriculum

changes relative to this criterion are projected.

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Intended Educational (Student) Outcomes:

1. Graduates will be proficient in critical thinking and problem solving.
2. Fifty (50) percent of students will graduate in four (4) years.
3. Students will express satisfaction with opportunities for experiential, applied learning through service-learning and internship opportunities throughout the program.
4. Graduates will be proficient in applied skills that support professional competencies.