**University of Wyoming**

**Assessment *for* Student Learning**

Assessment **for** student learning opens the door for meaningful engagement into what, how and why learning occurs for *all learners*; this in turn, informs practice, pedagogy and curricula to better support *all students.*

**Three Quick Assessment for Student Learning Tips for New Faculty**

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| Tip | Note |
| **Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs)** should be learner-centered, specific and measurable.  | *It should be very clear to students (outlined in the syllabus) what they will learn in each course. Activities and assessment in the course should connect directly to each SLO. Utilizing* [*backwards course design*](https://cft.vanderbilt.edu/guides-sub-pages/understanding-by-design/#stages) *will help with this process.* |
| Utilize **rubrics** to clearly communicate expectations and how students will demonstrate learning (and how this will be assessed).  | *Students should understand how they will demonstrate their knowledge and how this will be assessed. Rubrics are a guide for students and help to dispel the hidden curriculum. Check out the* [*ECTL Knowledge Base*](https://www.uwyo.edu/ctl/knowledge-base/index.html)*.* |
| Approach **assessment as a reflective activity** and an on-going dialogue with students on what, how and why they are learning. | *Inquiring into student learning through assessment invites meaningful reflection around pedagogy and curricula. Assessment for student learning allows us to continue to improve our practice to support all learners.*  |

**Assessment Resources for New Faculty**

[Ellbogen Center for Teaching and Learning (ECTL)](https://www.uwyo.edu/ctl/)

[Assessment for Student Learning](https://www.uwyo.edu/ctl/divisions-and-initiatives/assessment/index.html)

[UW Assessment Coordinators](https://www.uwyo.edu/ctl/divisions-and-initiatives/assessment/assessment-coordinators-assessment-for-student-learning-university-of-wyoming/index.html)

NILOA – [“New to Assessment”](https://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/Browse-by/New-to-Assessment/)

**Fall 2023 Events**

[Assessment Learning Community (AY 23/24)](https://uwyo.libcal.com/event/10967115?hs=a) | [Apply by Sept. 13](https://uwyo.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_enDlHY5jTDOg0OG)

[SoTL Learning Days](https://uwyo.libcal.com/event/10966987?hs=a) | SoTL Summit Virtual Conference | Sept. 21 & 22 | [Apply by Sept. 15](https://uwyo.libcal.com/event/10966987?hs=a)

Assessment Academies | Oct. 27 & Dec. 7

ECTL Academies | Sep. 19 & Oct. 25

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**[ECTL Assessment Team](https://www.uwyo.edu/ctl/divisions-and-initiatives/assessment/assessment-team.html)**

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