



September/October 2013

Welcome to the Assessment Flash, a monthly e-message update from The Brooklyn Campus Outcomes Assessment Committee. The Flash includes quick progress reports of current projects and keeps you in-the-know about assessment-related events.

### Updates

- 1) Assessment Fellows are providing feedback to their departments about the 2012 – 2013 Outcomes Assessment effort.
- 2) **Student Life Reports:** These reports are due by Monday September 30, 2013.

### Upcoming Events

**Assessment Retreat:** The annual Conolly College Assessment Retreat will be held on **Friday, October 11** at the Brooklyn Navy Yard. This event will be an opportunity for each department to fulfill its assessment requirement, it is also a chance for us to put our heads together and reflect on the nature of our assessment practices. In the words of Knefelkamp, assessment means "paying attention, listening carefully, hearing with sensitivity and a sense of responsibility"-- and putting thought into action. As such, we ask that you read the brief attached articles, and come to the retreat ready to share your own views on the future of assessment at the College level.

Although divisions will be split between the morning and afternoon sessions, the lunch hour will be a time for all departments to meet and share one another's ideas and company. The schedule will differ depending on your department

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**Teaching Narratives Conference:** Please save the date for the upcoming Teaching Narratives Conference taking place on **October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2013**, in the Media Arts Department (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of the Humanities building). The conference will feature narratives about teaching that illuminate student learning, engagement, and assessment in and out of the classroom. Presentations will include panel and roundtable discussions to engage faculty and staff in a thoughtful exploration of multimodal assessment of teaching and learning. We are no longer accepting presentation proposals for this conference

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**Outcomes Assessment Roundtable Discussion – Making Assessment Transformative:** Save the date for this upcoming OA Roundtable, hosted by Dr. Michael Kavic, Assistant Professor of Physics at the Brooklyn Campus and held on **Tuesday, October 22 from 11:00 - 12:30pm in LLC 515**. This roundtable will provide a platform to explore core questions in the assessment process; features, practices, and significance of the Assessment Cycle for institutions, departments and classrooms; the benefits and importance of Faculty Involvement in expanding our learning culture and fortifying the structure of our academic community and how outcomes assessment can support improvements in teaching approaches, curricula, and policies that support students' learning and success.

Sponsored by the LIU Brooklyn OA Committee and Conolly College Faculty Forum.

To register for the OA Roundtable Discussion, send an email to: [LIU-Assessment@liu.edu](mailto:LIU-Assessment@liu.edu). In the subject line, please note the date of the meeting.

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**Quantitative Student Artifact Study:** As part of our campus-wide outcomes assessment efforts, we have embarked on a series of student artifact studies, aimed at assessing how well our students are meeting the Brooklyn Campus Core Curriculum and the Institutional Learning goals by the time they graduate. Last year, we reviewed 100 papers from upper-level courses across the disciplines and used AAC&U rubrics to assess writing and information literacy skills among our upper division students (juniors and seniors). This year, we hope to do the same with quantitative analysis and problem-solving skills. Faculty has been recruited to work on this project during the fall semester.

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Feel free to contact your department's liaison for more information about assessment on the Brooklyn Campus. For more information about Assessment on the Brooklyn Campus visit <http://www.brooklyn.liu.edu/oa/>



**Check out these upcoming Campus Labs Webinars!**

**Creating Meaningful Learning Outcomes**

- Tuesday, October 1, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Compliance Assist Overview**

- Wednesday, October 2, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Assessment in Student Conduct: Getting Past Satisfaction**

- Thursday, October 10, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Strategies for Increasing Response Rates**

- Wednesday, October 16, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Introduction to Baseline Reporting Tools**

- Tuesday, October 22, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Tracking Involvement in CollegiateLink**

- Wednesday, October 23, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

**Registrations, Forms & Additional Fields**

- Tuesday, October 29, 1:00 – 2:00 pm

For more information about these webinars, go to [www.campuslabs.com/support/training/](http://www.campuslabs.com/support/training/)