# **Academic Assessment Update**



# **Professional Development**

### **Professional Development Opportunity Coming Soon!**

#### **General Education Feedback**

Since the new model of General Education Assessment began in fall 2014, faculty have been asking for feedback on the assignments they volunteered for the study. What feedback does the Learning Assessment Committee have to offer the authors of these submissions? This workshop highlights those submissions and discusses assignment strengths as well as areas where there may be room for tweaking. If you've volunteered an assignment for CT or QR in this year's General Education Assessment, or even if you haven't, this is the workshop for you. To register for professional development sessions, visit the TLC Calendar.







# **Shop Talk**

CCSSE - Community College Survey of Student Engagement CCFSSE - Community College Faculty Survey of Student Engagement

FSW's Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) initiated in 2012 encourages faculty and staff to complete professional development modules purposed toward the promotion of critical thinking in enhancing the likelihood of success of first-year students (<u>Florida SouthWestern QEP Annual Report 2013</u>). To measure the success of the program, the college employs the **CCSSE** and **CCFSSE**. More specifically, the college uses a subset of survey questions as an indicator of student engagement, the results of which are reported directly by the facilitator of the surveys, the Center for Community College Student Engagement housed at the University of Texas at Austin.

Additionally, the CCSSE and CCFSSE reports encompass a series of questions addressing common survey topics. An evaluation of the interactions, needs, and perceptions of the students, compared with an evaluation of the faculty's perception of students' interactions, needs, and perceptions is completed by the Office of Academic Assessment. To learn how CCSEE and CCFSSE results are used to inform improvement, check out the <a href="Did You Know">Did You Know</a> newsletters.

## Visit the Office of Academic Assessment's Cool New Digs

Have you visited the new Academic Assessment suite? Dr. van Gaalen and Allison Studer have moved to I-122, and some of you may remember it as the old TLC Center. If you are familiar with the room, then you know that it is spacious and tech-ready with a SmartBoard and projector. In other words, it is the perfect place for you and your department to kick back, bring a beverage, and talk assessment. Recently, the Humanities Department faculty members met to talk about the results of the innovative course level assessments they recently completed. Not surprisingly, they had a fun and lively discussion. From time to time, consider stopping by I-122 to get updates from the Academic Assessment team. If you would like to schedule an assessment-related meeting in the Academic Assessment suite, just reach out to Dr. van Gaalen at extension 16965 or <a href="mailto:Joseph.VanGaalen@fsw.edu">Joseph.VanGaalen@fsw.edu</a>.

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