Outcomes Based Assessment
Assessment is not a traditional grading and goal based system
What are SLOs?

Student Learning Outcomes

- Knowledge, skills, and abilities students demonstrate
- Statements used to measure student learning
- Focus on what students learn as opposed to what we teach
What is Assessment?

A process in which SLOs and curriculum are created, measured, analyzed, improved, and repeated. The idea is continuous improvement to student learning.
Class work used to assess if a SLO was met. We use a 3 point scale: below, meets, or exceeds standards.
Recording Data

We use eLumen, a software for storing SLO data.

You input data in eLumen...

...which is then discussed and analyzed with discipline faculty.
Grading and Goals vs Learning Outcomes

...but all have their place.
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GRADING

Evaluates individual student performance

Includes indirect measures of learning

Often planned and implemented without consideration of goals.

Does not tell a story.
2. GOALS/OBJECTIVES

- They state what a program will do.
- They describe intent.
- They refer to a learning pathway.
- They can be tasks to do before reaching another goal.
LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Designed to continuously improve student learning.
- They tell a story of student learning.
- They are aligned with larger goals and missions.
- They refer to a destination rather than a path.
- They are statements of student learning.
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