# **Co-Curricular Assessment Plan**

Department: Library

Name of Service/Committee/Club: Training sessions

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### **Step 1: Planning**

Remember planning is best done with all members of your team.

1A: Describe the service or activity being assessed. Be specific so that the purpose and goal is clear.

- What is the service/activity? Two-session library instruction sessions for PSYC 100 students
- What kind of information do you need? Opinions, attendance, usage, continued usage of the service?
- o Based on the information needed, when should the assessment be completed—before or after the service, during the service, etc.? After
- Where is the assessment completed—where the service occurs, email, Blackboard, online...? online
- What level would you expect your students to achieve in the assessment? Progressing
  - Is there a percentage of the students that should respond a certain way in a survey? Not sure what this means
  - A percentage of students being able to achieve at a certain knowledge level? If 75% made it to Progressing I'd be excited. Because they have to unlearn and learn processes in the training.

# 1B: Relate the service/acitivity to its intended outcomes.

- ~Which outcome are you assessing? Check the box next to the appropriate outcome.
- ~Remember your assessment will need to clearly and separately report on <u>each</u> outcome.

	Co-Curricular Outcome	<b>General Education Outcome</b>
	Communications	Communications
	Critical Thinking	Critical Thinking
	Teamwork & Professionalism	Social Skills and Cultural Awareness
X	Navigating Processes?	Technology
	Personal Development	

# **Step 2: Assessment**

#### **2A:** Assessment Summary:

- Describe how you are evaluating each category in the rubric.
  - O Utilizing College Processes & Resources -- not used
  - Seeking Information The assessment form asks questions to see what terms they use to conduct a specific search and which criteria they identify as important – the answers selected allow me to assign a rating
  - Using Information The assessment form asks questions to see how well they know the criteria to apply
    when selecting sources for a specific research problem and which results they select from a list that they
    think are the most useful the answers selected allow me to assign a rating, but this category was the
    most difficult to apply to the work I do
  - o Selecting Technology not used; I'm instructing on how to use a particular technology in this session
  - Using Technology The assessment form asks questions that asks them to identify appropriate technology and how to use it most effectively to complete a specific research problem.

• Attach the data file(s) to form.

### **2B: Participant Summary**

- How many students were assessed? 23/27
- Were all students assessed? No

If not, which students were assessed? I was using a google form to gather data – students were to supply their ID number. Unfortunately 4 students didn't know it and the form would not let them enter their name as an alternate, a fact I realized too late.

# **Step 3: Evaluate**

# **3A: Key Results**

List the results that stood out from the data collected. Additionally, a graph or other representation of the data may be attached.

- That if I have to use this rubric, I'm going to have to adjust the assessment tool that I use because it's hard to evaluate students based on a single experience with them.
- That students are picking up the basic information about identifying original research articles.
- That students need more help to identify the keywords that will get them strong results

# **3B:** Analysis

- What did you learn from the assessment?
  - From the rubric not that much. It's hard for me to identify students as being at more than a beginning or progressing status because of the nature of what I do
  - o From my assessment tool
    - That students are getting the basic factors to look for to find original research articles which is great
    - That students need more help with refining the search process to get through the clutter
    - Keywords are a problem that needs more attention
- Did the data highlight something new about the student service(s)? not really
- What area(s) can be improved upon? That it may be beneficial to ask faculty for precise guidance on what they would like library training to achieve what they see as the learning outcome.

# 3C: Act

- What is your improvement plan?
  - o Re-design assessment questions (see below)
  - o Focus more attention on keyword selection and using the tool
- How could you change the service or assessment to prevent the issue in the future?
  - Assessment
    - make students include their name to catch those who don't know or don't have their ID number available
    - design a question that would better get at how students would use information that they found
  - **Training** 
    - Integrate the tool use more completely with considering how to find appropriate results.
- Based on your results, what changes or improvements to the department or service will be done in the future?
  - o I may start getting faculty to help me devise learning outcomes for specific sessions.