



SLOs and Cycles: Make it Work for You!

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Introduction

Self

- Started November 2016
- Came from University of Kentucky
 - SACSCOC to HLC
- Background in Education Technology and Instructional Design

UCA

- 12,000 Students
- Approx 775 instructional personnel (545 FT)
- Approx 874 full-time staff
- Leadership Issues
 - Lu Hardin (2002-2008)
 - Allen Meadors (2009-2011)
- HLC – 2010 & 2016





The 2010 Higher Learning Commission Report

- UCA’s program has not significantly changed in over 20 years and is 47 credit hours—the largest in the state.
- The 2010 HLC report concludes: “UCA's assessment efforts were uneven and in need of immediate improvement” and “while UCA reviews general education it appears unable to think broadly about the skills and attitudes this critical program implies for the students.”





UCA Background: 2010 - Present

PAST

- The “Old” Gen Ed program
- 2010 HLC Report
- 2012 Provost’s Taskforce
- The UCA Core in Conception
- The UCA Core in Practice (2013-2015)
- Highlights and Lowpoints
- CIP Plans

PRESENT

- Outcomes-based UCA Core
- UCA Core Council
- Handbook and Assessment Plan
- Looking Forward: Intentional Planning and Continuous Improvement of Student Learning
- Assessment Plans for Academic, Co-Curricular, and Support Units
- Transparency

FUTURE

- A Flexible, Stable, Integrated Liberal Education
- Assessment
 - The Cycle
 - The Process
 - Improvement
- Complete Integration
- Technological Infrastructure





Activity 1



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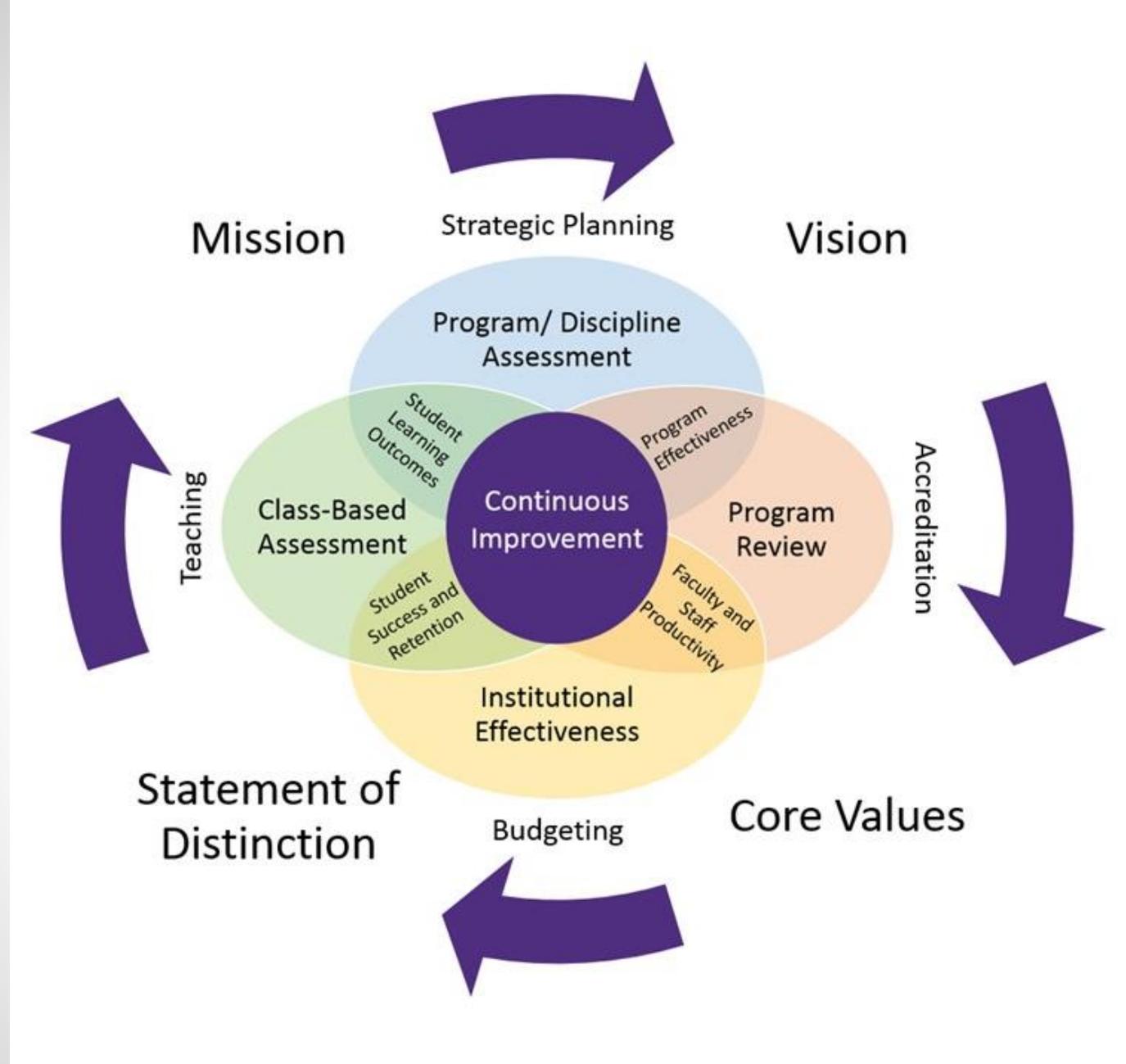
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Activity 2



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Cycles Everywhere!

- Assessment
- Strategic Planning
- Accreditation
- Self Study/Existing Academic Program Review
- Internal Cycles
- Budget
- CAO Reviews





Barriers to Alignment

- “But we’ve always done it that way!”
- Policies
- Common practice
- Change resistance
- Lack of knowledge/awareness





Resources

Your team!



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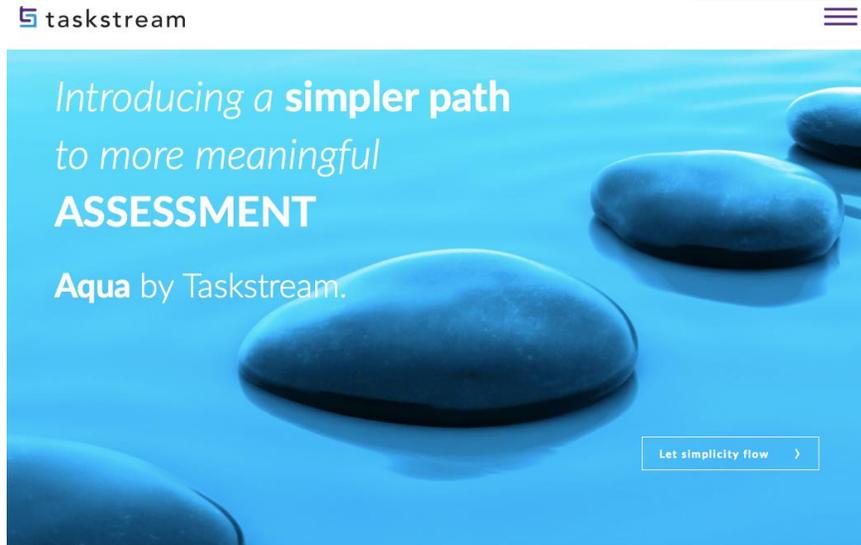
Technology

*The process should dictate the technology.
The technology should NOT dictate the process*





Taskstream



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	Reporting	Report
	Year	Due Date
SLO 1 – Oral Communication	1	09.30.2017
SLO 2 – Written Communication	1	09.30.2017
SLO – 3 Teamwork	2	09.30.2018
SLO 4 – Content Knowledge	3	09.30.2019

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Existing Academic Program Review (EAPR)

Strategic Planning

UCA Core

Aqua Handbook

Course Evaluation Handbook

Dean and Department Chair Review Handbook

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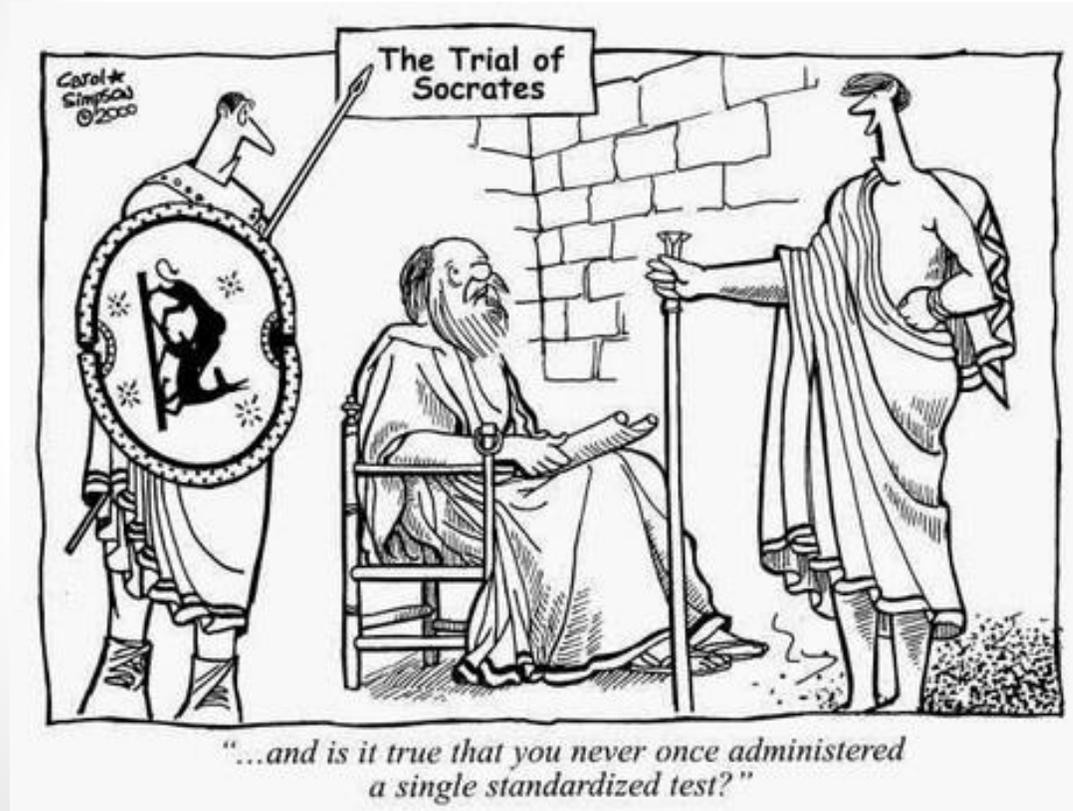
College of Business

Department	Program	Assessment	Accreditation/ EAPR	Syllabi Repository
Accounting	Accounting, Bachelor	Assessment	Accreditation	Syllabi
Accounting	Accounting, Master	Assessment	Accreditation	Syllabi
College Units	Business Core and Foundation	Assessment	N/A	Syllabi
College Units	Business Administration, Master (MBA)	Assessment	Accreditation	Syllabi
College Units	Law Enforcement Degree	Assessment	EAPR	Syllabi





Assessment is not the enemy.



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