

2009/2010 Undergraduate Assessment and Program Review

Department of Biological Sciences

Program-initiated Goal or Objective	Where, When, and How Monitored	Expectation for Satisfactory Performance	Decision Point	Observations of Student Performance	When and By Whom Were Results Analyzed?	Outcome of Analysis	Dept or Program Follow-up
Goal #1 Students will develop a broad knowledge of the concepts of biology	ETS Major Field Test in Biology administered to Fall, Spring, and Summer seniors graduating with a BA or BS in Biological Sciences. Results reviewed by Director of Undergraduate Program Assessment	Mean Scores for WSU students higher than 50% of mean scores for reporting institutions	Mean scores for WSU students higher than 50% of mean scores for reporting institutions	Not applicable. Assessment is of mean performance only as compared to other institutional means.	Dept. meeting date _____ or Individual analysis? Director of Undergraduate Program Assessment	<input type="checkbox"/> X Objective wholly satisfied <input type="checkbox"/> Objective not wholly satisfied Follow-up strategy is _____	<input type="checkbox"/> None required <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up on completion date <input type="checkbox"/> X_ Will re-examine by _June 2010____.
Goal #2 Students will participate in research and scholarship activity through interactions among students, faculty, and professional biologists in the community	Assessment of student performance by review of written term or research papers by mentor, DAC, &/or by faculty. Papers are collected and have been reviewed by mentors			How many students 32__met _1_did not meet expectations?	Dept. meeting date _____ or individual analysis(describe)? Mentors evaluated papers and rated as U(unsatisfactory) or S(satisfactory)	X Objective wholly satisfied <input type="checkbox"/> Objective not wholly satisfied	X none required <input type="checkbox"/> follow-up completion on _____ date <input type="checkbox"/> will re-examine by _____ date
Goal #3 Student assessment will be included as a part of the department's review of the undergraduate program.	Administration of Graduating Senior Questionnaire during last semester of degree completion	Questionnaires will be reviewed by Director or Undergraduate Program Assessment		Not Applicable. Assessment is of departmental performance according to student perception	Dept. meeting date ___ or individual analysis(describe)? Director of Undergraduate Program Assessment	X Objective wholly satisfied <input type="checkbox"/> Objective not wholly satisfied	X None required <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up completion date