**Institutional Effectiveness Weekly Report** 



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

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## July 17, 2020

### Outcome 1

The Office of Planning and Assessment will contribute to Texas Tech University's ongoing compliance with all external accrediting agencies and State of Texas mandates.

#### Nuventive Improve Maintenance

OPA has been working on maintenance to Nuventive Improve degree program accounts in preparation for the October 1 academic assessment deadline as well as for the SACSCOC Fifth-Year Report. This maintenance includes collecting information regarding changes in degree program coordinators and updating the contact information in Improve accounts, ensuring the correct CIP codes are identified within the general information tab, and identifying degree modalities within the account. These changes will be helpful when submitting degree program 4-column reports to SACSCOC. Additionally, OPA has been creating new degree program accounts where necessary based on degree offerings that have been approved by THECB and SACSCOC.

#### **OPA & TrUE Digital Measures Partnership**

Kenny Shatley and Levi Johnson recently had a meeting to discuss the potential uses of Digital Measures for the Center for Transformative Undergraduate Experiences (TrUE). Initially, this meeting was set to find numbers in Digital Measures for undergraduate research, but we are now working to identify screens where undergraduates are likely to be represented for the purposes of enhancing our reporting of undergraduate research.



Texas Tech University faculty and staff will be well-prepared to meet OPA's faculty credentialing, assessment, and strategic plan expectations.

#### TxAHEA 2021 Conference Updates

The TxAHEA Executive Committee met on July 9th to discuss the status of the 2020 conference. Due to continuing uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic and the risks associated with attempting to hold a physical conference, the decision was made to postpone the TxAHEA conference to Fall 2021. Based on this decision, the Committee elected to offer free monthly webinars, beginning in September 2020 and continuing through April 2021. The hope is that by holding the webinars, our association will still be present and potentially garner new attendees when we are able to hold a physical conference.

Additionally, members of the Planning Committee are in the process of voting on maintaining our current leadership, as well as adding a one-year extension to those serving on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee feels that it is cumbersome to transfer leadership amidst a pandemic and want to ensure consistency and stability for the 2021 conference.

#### CMLL DM Training Video

At the request of the Classical and Modern Languages and Literatures (CMLL) department, Shatley made an updated video walking through the new process in Digital Measures. While this was at the request of CMLL for incoming student assistants, OPA now has an updated DM intro video and walkthrough of processes for HB2504.

#### Raiders Engaged 2019 Update

Ashley Loveless, in collaboration with University Outreach and Engagement, is working on the annual report for the 2019 Raiders Engaged administration. The final data has been vetted and Loveless will begin analyzing the spreadsheet to create visuals summarizing the results. A final 2019 Raiders Engaged report is expected to be completed by September 2020. Loveless and OPA Digital Measures Administrator, Kenny Shatley, are currently collaborating to collect final outreach and engagement numbers for Priority 3 of the University Strategic Plan. These numbers will be submitted to Vicki West in Institutional Research at the beginning of August.

#### Assessment Innovation Grant Award

OPA has received two submissions for the 2020 Assessment Innovation Grant award. Our office made the decision to offer the award earlier in the year to allow for grant recipients to utilize funds during both the fall and spring semesters. OPA will send another reminder for submissions next week before the deadline on August 1. OPA will provide four \$500 grants for individuals or departments to use in 2020-2021.



The Office of Planning and Assessment will continually monitor the university's compliance with laws, policy statements, and policies deriving from the State of Texas, THECB, and SACSCOC.

#### HB 2504 Update

The Summer II HB2504 deadline was July 15th and we are currently at 95% compliance. OPA is still finalizing numbers due to the change in deadline day this term. Final numbers will be sent to Academic Deans next week after a final reminder email is sent to chairs and instructors on July 17th.