

GVA Advance Quick Guide



Student Outcomes

Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs), used for academic programs, define the fundamental competencies that students should be able to demonstrate upon completion of a credential. Student Centered Outcomes (SCOs), used for co-curricular programs and strategic plans, are the measurable outcomes arising from intentionally designed activities, programs, and services that support student success outside of the classroom.

Objectives

Measurable statements of specific results to be achieved en route to the accomplishment of an outcome; objectives state results, not activities. Objectives are used to describe measurable aspects of an outcome which, when met, would constitute partial achievement of the outcome.

Measures

An assessment instrument and process, details used to assess an action or outcome of the stated objective.

Change

Allows user to view different departments.

Menu

Allows user to return to main menu screen.

Assessment Plan

- Context for Assessment
- Sub-Entities
- Student Outcomes
- Objectives
- Measures

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Grand Valley State University **Change** Due Dates Resources **Menu** Logout

GVAssess: Student Outcomes Assessment **Q View Plan**

Assessment Plan

- Context for Assessment
- Sub-Entities
- Institutional Outcomes
- Objectives
- Measures

Annual Updates and Historical Documents

- Context for Review (optional)
- Measure Reporting
- Historical Documents - WEAVE Reports
- Other Documents

Feedback and Reviews

- Reviewer Feedback
- UAC Reviewer Feedback
- Other Reviewer Feedback
- Historical Documents - UAC Memos

GVAssess Reports

- Finalized Items Summary
- Reporting Summary by Year
- Compile Assessment Reporting
- Keyword Search

GVPlan: Strategic Planning **Q View Plan**

Strategic Plan

- Context for Planning
- Mission
- Vision
- Values
- Institutional Outcomes
- Strategic Priority Areas
- Objectives
- View Published Plan

Annual Updates and Historical Documents

- Context for Review (optional)
- Objective Reporting
- Historical Documents - Strategic Plans
- Other Strategic Planning Documents

Feedback and Reviews

- Reviewer Feedback
- UAC Reviewer Feedback
- Other Reviewer Feedback

GVPlan Reports

- Finalized Plans
- Finalized Objective Reporting
- Keyword Search
- Search Objective Reporting
- Unaligned Objectives
- Compile Objective Reporting

GVAssess

Allows user to construct Outcomes, Objectives, and Measures for an Assessment Plan. GVAssess also houses reporting and curriculum mapping features.

View Plan

Allows user to see outcomes, objectives, and measures.

GVPlan

Allows user to create and maintain a Strategic Plan for a Unit or College. This section includes Mission, Vision, Values, and Objectives for Strategic Plan development.

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GVAdvance

- The GVAdvance online system allows for multiple users to view and collaborate as programs prepare and manage assessment and planning activities with the University Assessment Committee (UAC).
- For a comprehensive list of key terms, please see the “**Glossary**” button on the main menu of GVAdvance.

Assessment

- Seeks, evaluates, reflects upon data, and makes changes in order to foster continuous improvement.
- Can refer to a systematic cycle of collecting and reviewing information.
- Process of clearly stating expected outcomes, offering learning/student experiences or engaging in an activity/intervention, measuring the extent to which expected outcomes have been achieved, and using the evidence collected to improve teaching, programs, or processes.

Strategic Planning

- Serves as a blueprint for improving the performance of a program.
- Includes a mission stating the purpose of the program, values that guide the program, and outcomes representing what will be achieved if the vision and mission are realized.
- Includes the objectives and strategies that form the action plan for actualizing the outcomes.

GVReview

- Houses Self-study Reporting.
- Self-studies are formal reports that focus on unit function and performance.
- The purpose of the Self-study is to show unit strengths and successes and to keep track of key goals that the unit wishes to continue working on.

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