

Q1.

GCU Academic Program Assessment Plan - Plan Updates

Please complete the program assessment plan. The format is similar to your previous plans, but is adapted to make fuller use of AEFIS. If you need assistance, please contact the [Office of Assessment](#). You can enter data in this form at one time or return to the survey to complete, using the same computer and original link. Once you submit, that action is final. You will receive a copy of your submittal.

Be sure to review academic program outcomes for appropriate rigor (Bloom's taxonomy) and assessable results. Avoid vague or general statements that cannot be quantified or measured. This plan can cover a three- to five-year time frame.

Note 1: Graduate programs need only complete summative assessment data.

Note 2: If the program has more than 5 learning outcomes, you will be directed to part B of the survey to enter the information on the additional outcomes (up to 10 total).

The update of Academic Program Assessment Plans are due by September 30.

Please contact the Office of Institutional Assessment and Accreditation with any questions or for further guidance.

Q2. Person completing the report

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Q3. Email address of person completing the report

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Q4. Program Name

Digital Communication

Q5. School or Department

School of Arts and Sciences

School of Business and Digital Media

- School of Education
- HMH School of Nursing and Wellness at GCU
- University Wide Program (name below)

Q6. Email address and name of Dean of School or Department Supervisor

Name of Dean/Supervisor

Email address of Dean/Supervisor

Q7. Level of Program

- Undergraduate Major
- Graduate-Masters
- Graduate-certificate only
- Undergraduate-University wide
- other, please specify

Q8. Length and starting year for Assessment Plan

- 3 years
- 4 years
- 5 years
- Starting year

Q9. Indicate the name of the major(s), minor(s), and the associated degree(s) for this academic program.

Major(s)

Degree(s)

Minor(s)

Q10. State your learning outcomes (Up to five in this section, additional outcomes can be added to part B of the survey)

- Learning Outcome (LO) 1

- Learning Outcome (LO) 2
Conduct academic research to further develop critical/creative thinking skills.
- Learning Outcome (LO) 3
Identify, analyze, evaluate, and/or produce media content.
- Learning Outcome (LO) 4
Understand the ethical, theoretical, and practical implications in the creation, distribution and/or consumption of media.
- Learning Outcome (LO) 5
Gain specialized knowledge and skills in one or more of the following areas: Journalism and Public Relations, Media & Visual Studies

Q11. Related USLG-Undergraduate Student Learning Goals. Align the program learning outcomes stated above with the associated USLG, if appropriate.

	Foundational Knowledge of Human Cultures and the Physical and Natural World	Intellectual and Practical Skills	Personal and Social Responsibility	Integrative Learning	Mastery of a Defined Body of Knowledge at a Baccalaureate Level
Learning Outcome 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Learning Outcome 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Learning Outcome 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Learning Outcome 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Learning Outcome 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Q12. Related GSLG-Graduate Student Learning Goals. Align the learning outcomes stated above with the associated GSLG.

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q13. Related BRIDGE-General Education Goals

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q14. Related Accreditation Standard (if applicable) State the standard/goal and check the alignment with your program outcome(s). (Example: Learning Outcome (LO) 1: Text entry: NJSPEL Standard 1)

- Learning Outcome (LO) 1
- Learning Outcome (LO) 2
- Learning Outcome (LO) 3
- Learning Outcome (LO) 4
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Learning Outcome (LO) 5

Q15. Course Mapping. Program Courses and Experiential Learning mapping to Program Outcomes. Map **all** program courses to the program's learning outcomes here. List courses with short catalog name, i.e. EN101. Please check to see if all program courses are mapped to at least one program outcome. If the program has more than 5 outcomes, this mapping will continue in part B.

How do students learn this? In what course(s) and/or co-curricular experience(s)?

- Learning Outcome (LO) 1
FORMATIVE: assignment in CM100, SUMMATIVE: project in CM465
- Learning Outcome (LO) 2
FORMATIVE: writing assignments in CM101, SUMMATIVE: writing assignment in CM401
- Learning Outcome (LO) 3
FORMATIVE: project in CM217, SUMMATIVE: assignment in CM310
- Learning Outcome (LO) 4
FORMATIVE: writing assignment in CM305, SUMMATIVE: project in CM217
- Learning Outcome (LO) 5
FORMATIVE: project in CM401, SUMMATIVE: project in CM465

Q16.

Formative Assessment will occur in.....

Designate the selected course(s) from above mapping where evidence will be collected. These courses will have a signature assignment aligned with your assessment plan. Choose up to two courses per outcome. Try not to repeat courses.

- Learning Outcome (LO) 1
CM100
- Learning Outcome (LO) 2
CM101
- Learning Outcome (LO) 3
CM217
- Learning Outcome (LO) 4
CM305
- Learning Outcome (LO) 5
CM401

Q17. Name the signature assignment aligned with formative assessment in the previous question. Give the name of the course and the assignment. Example: EN 490: Final Course Paper assessed with the GCU Writing Rubric.

- Course 1/ LO1
- Course 2/ LO1
- Course 1/ LO2

- Course 2/ LO2
- Course 1/ LO3
- Course 2/ LO3
- Course 1/ LO4
- Course 2/ LO4
- Course 1/ LO5
- Course 2/ LO5

Q18.

Summative Assessment will occur in.....

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- Learning Outcome (LO) 1
- Learning Outcome (LO) 2
- Learning Outcome (LO) 3
- Learning Outcome (LO) 4
- Learning Outcome (LO) 5

Q19. Name the signature assignment aligned with summative assessment in the previous question. Give the name of the course and the assignment. Example: EN 490: Final Course Paper assessed with the GCU Writing Rubric.

- Course 1/ LO1
- Course 2/ LO1
- Course 1/ LO2
- Course 2/ LO2
- Course 1/ LO3
- Course 2/ LO3
- Course 1/ LO4
- Course 2/ LO4
- Course 1/ LO5
- Course 2/ LO5

Q20. Direct Assessment: Satisfactory achievement will be based on assignment grading: below 70: did not meet expectations, between 70-85: meets expectations, at and above 85: exceeds expectations. Does this meet your program guidelines?

- Yes
- No

Q21. What is your preference for assignment percentages for expected results?

This question was not displayed to the respondent.

Q22. Assessment Protocol. What indirect evidence will you collect for your program's formative assessment of learning outcomes? Indirect evidence can include: student surveys (course feedback), course grades, course pass rates, etc. What are your benchmarks for this data? (Ex. 70% of students complete course feedback with resulting mean score of 4.3 out of 5) (Note: Text entry can be up to several lines.)

Formative Assessment

	Indirect Evidence 1	Benchmark for Evidence 1	Indirect Evidence 2	Benchmark for Evidence 2
LO 1	course grades			
LO2	course grades			
LO3	course grades			
LO4	course grades			
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	Year 1 of Plan	Year 2 of Plan	Year 3 of Plan	Year 4 of Plan	Year 5 of Plan	Data collected annually
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Q25. Number of program learning outcomes.

- 5 or less
 more than 5

Q26. State your additional learning outcomes

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Location Data

Location: [\(40.0923, -74.2252\)](#)

Source: GeoIP Estimation



The image shows a map of the Northeast United States, including parts of Pennsylvania, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, and Maryland. A yellow pin is placed on the map, indicating a specific location near New York City. The map shows major cities like Scranton, Danbury, Bridgeport, New Bedford, Allentown, Harrisburg, New York, Yonkers, Bridgeport, New Jersey, Wilmington, Frederick, Baltimore, Annapolis, and Washington. The Atlantic Ocean is visible to the east.