Guidance for Annual IE Assessment Reporting Impacted by COVID-19

All academic programs and support units at A&M-Commerce will complete an annual IE assessment report for the academic year 2021-22. Ongoing disruption to services and the transition to online learning and remote work in response to COVID-19 may, in some cases, have impacted the ability to conduct an assessment as planned. Please consider the following guidance as you look to complete your assessment results collection and report for the current year.

My 2021-22 IE results continue to be impacted by COVID-19. How should I document this?

- For any assessment method whose results you believe were impacted by the transition to online learning or remote work, please include a note about the possible impact. This includes partial or incomplete results or results with performance below expected levels.

**Instructions for Entering in Nuventive Improvement Platform:**

- Include the following note in the field for “Results”:

  - **Please note that 2021-22 assessment results for the [NAME OF ASSESSMENT METHOD] may have been impacted by factors influenced by the university response to COVID-19 and the transition to online instruction and remote work for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters, or the return to campus following the next Academic Year.**

  - Include any additional detail about the anticipated impact, as needed. For example, “Because most fall/spring events were unable to be scheduled due to COVID-19, attendance data is limited in comparison to previous assessment cycles.” OR “Course content related to the SLO was delivered through online readings rather than an in-class activity which may have impacted performance on the learning outcome differently than in previous assessment cycles.”

- Enter the Conclusion based on results collected, as usual. Please do not select “Inconclusive” unless NO results were collected for the assessment.

- If this is the second assessment cycle in which assessment results were impacted by COVID-19, please use the field “Follow Up on Previous Year Action Plan” to comment on the effectiveness of steps taken over the prior year to preserve continuity of assessment and achievement of SLOs/Goals during this time.

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I was unable to conduct my planned assessment due to the transition to online learning and remote work, or back to regular campus operations.

- If you were unable to conduct a planned assessment in the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 years due to the transition to online learning and remote work and back, the 20-21 IE Report should reflect changes made to your unit’s assessment plan to preserve continuity of assessment for the 2021-2022 academic year. It is recommended that 21-22 IE Reports not include a report of assessments unable to be conducted due to COVID-19, for this reason.

For more information on entering assessment results in the Nuventive Improvement Platform, please access the resources on our website under Assessment at Institutional Effectiveness or email IE@tamuc.edu.