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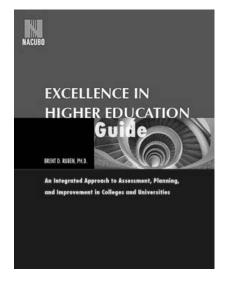
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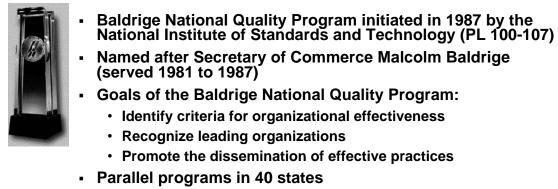
Challenges Facing Higher Education Institutions



- Meeting increasing demands with few new resources
- Responding meaningfully to external critiques
- Creating a shared sense of purpose and direction that unites faculty and staff and bridges academic and administrative cultures
- Learning from the best practices of other educational institutions and organizations in other sectors
- Developing enhanced leadership capability
- Responding proactively to accountability and performance measurement pressure
- Creating a culture of ongoing self-assessment, planning, and improvement
- Providing a guide to institutional effectiveness and excellence for leaders

The Malcolm Baldrige Framework: A Systematic Method for Addressing Many of Higher Education's Challenges





Versions for health care and education

For more information on the Baldrige National Quality Program, see www.quality.nist.gov/.

What Research Tells Us about the Baldrige Framework

- "Almost all of the ... national awards have used Baldrige as the benchmark ... Basically, criteria and award processes are either direct adaptations or minor modifications of the Baldrige Approach." (Bell & Keys 1998, 6).
- "Companies that demonstrate their commitment to... Baldrige core values and concepts generate solid returns that ultimately benefit shareholders." (Rajan & Tamimi 1999, 42).
- "The evidence from this [modeling studies] research supports the general theory behind the MBNQA criteria." (Wilson & Collier 2000, 379).
- "Results indicate that the theory is sound... and [the framework] has improved since its inception." (Flynn & Saladin 2001, 642).
- During the past decade (except in one year), the collected Baldrige award winners have outperformed—about 2–5 times better—than the Standard & Poor's 500 index (Baldrige National Quality Program 2000).
- The Baldrige framework and core values provide a useful foundation for educational planning and implementation (Belohlav, Cook & Heiser 2004).
- Research indicates that the Baldrige/Excellence in Higher Education framework, when used as the basis of organizational self-assessment programs, broadens knowledge, clarifies strengths and priorities for improvement, and motivates change (Ruben et al. 2006).

Accreditation Processes and Standards

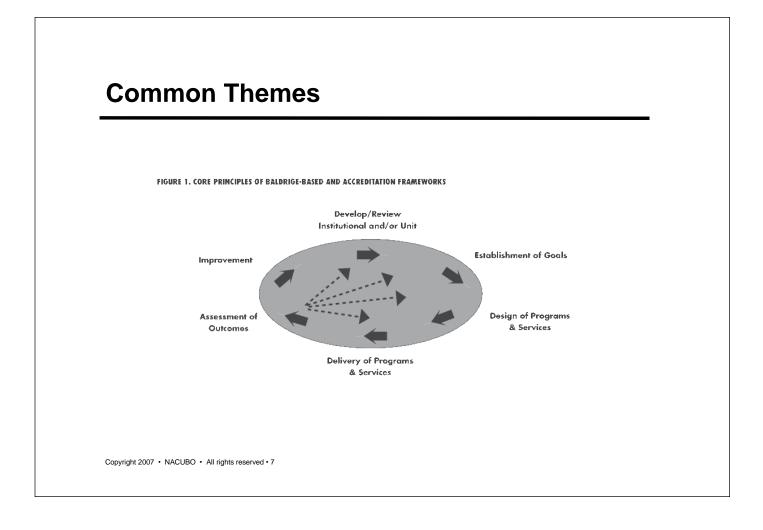
- "Accreditation is a process of external quality review used... to scrutinize colleges, universities and educational programs for quality assurance and quality improvement."*
- Accrediting associations articulate standards of academic quality for colleges and universities as well as quality standards for the business, engineering, health care, education, and other specialized fields.
- Accreditation is conducted by associations recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation.
- Goals of accreditation:
 - Ensure quality
 - Gain access to federal funds
 - Ease transfer
 - Engender employer confidence

*For more information on (and links to) accrediting standards, see the following Council for Higher Education Accreditation Web sites: www.chea.org/ and www.chea.org/pdf/fact_sheet_1_profile.pdf.

Similarities between Baldrige and Accreditation

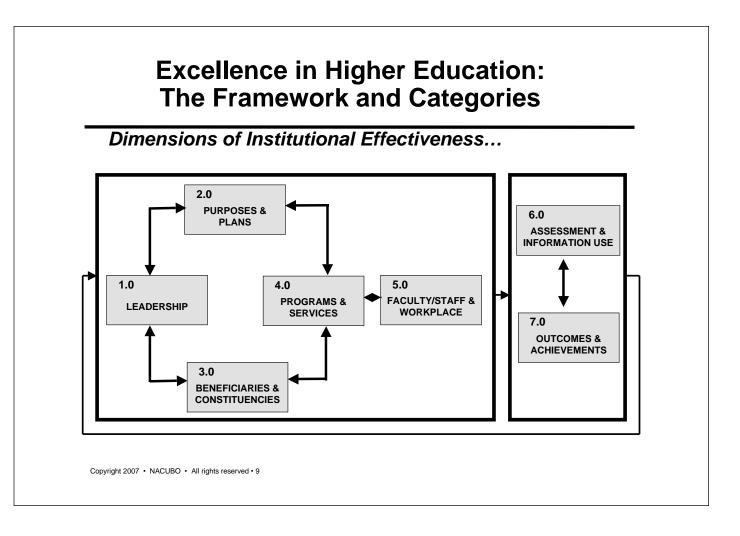
Both emphasize

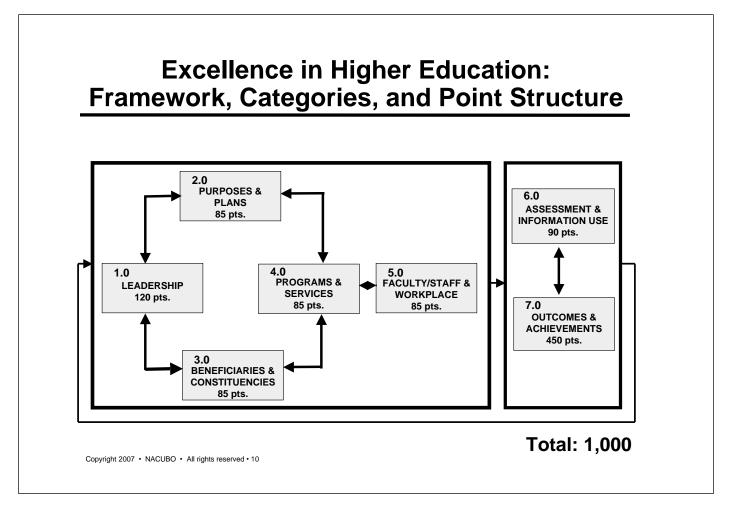
- a broad definition of excellence;
- leadership and planning;
- clear, shared, and measurable goals;
- a focus on faculty, staff, students, and other external constituencies;
- systematic assessment of the effectiveness of the institution or organization as a whole, as well as the effectiveness of specific programs, services, and other organizational activities and functions;
- comparisons with peers and leaders;
- a focus on outcomes; and
- iterative cycles of review, planning, and continuous improvement.

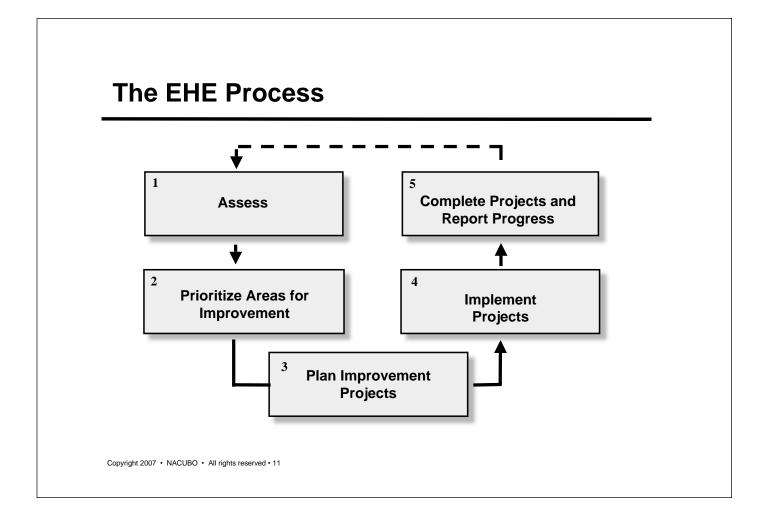


Excellence in Higher Education— An Integrated Framework

- Integrates the Baldrige and accreditation frameworks, language, and standards
- Is appropriate for an entire institution and for departments, programs, centers, advisory councils, or governing groups
- Is applicable to academic, student life, service, and administrative organizations
- Provides a method for systematic, high-level assessment
- Applies accepted standards of organizational excellence
- Highlights strengths and priorities for improvement
- Creates baseline measures
- Facilitates comparisons with other organizations
- Provides a framework for sharing effective practices
- Asks questions; does not prescribe methods or strategies
- Broadens participation in leadership and problem solving







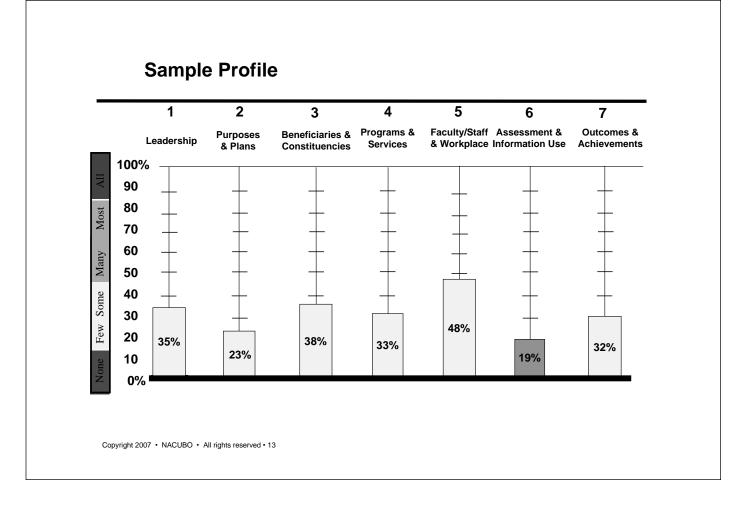


Steps in the EHE Self-Assessment Process

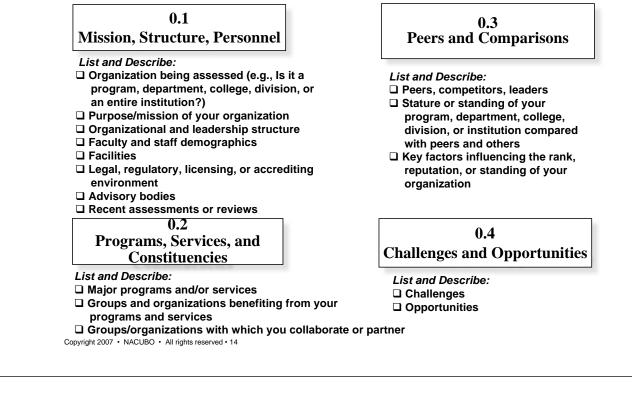
- ✓ 3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies
- ✓ 2.0 Purposes and Plans
- ✓ 1.0 Leadership
- ✓ 4.0 Programs and Services
- ✓ 5.0 Faculty/Staff and Workplace
- ✓ 6.0 Assessment and Information Use
- 7.0 Outcomes and Achievements

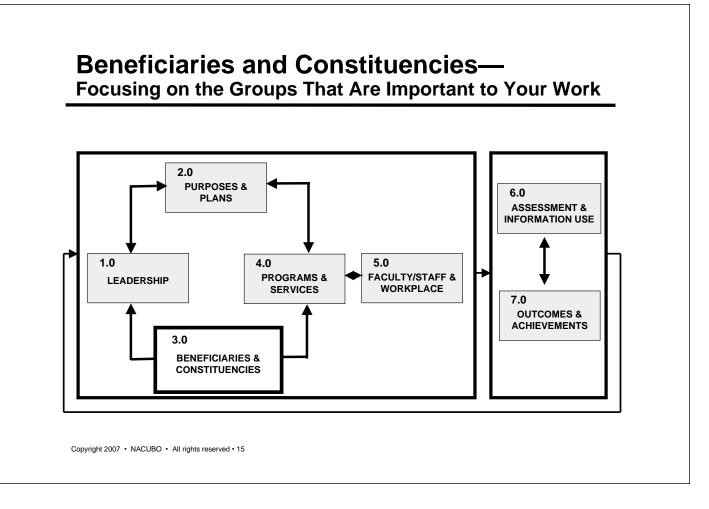
For each category:

- Review and discuss.
- Identify "strengths" and "areas for improvement."
- Consider exemplary practices.
- Rate and score.



0.0 Overview: Program, Department, or Institution Topics to be Considered





Beneficiaries and Constituencies Are

groups and organizations that are not a formal part of your organization but are critical because:

- they benefit directly from programs, services, or activities you provide; or
- they influence, or are influenced by, the work of your program, department, or institution.

Why all of these groups and organizations are important:

- Traditionally, higher education quality was defined primarily based on the perspectives and standards of peers and professionals.
- More recently, increasing attention is also being devoted to the perspectives of students, alumni, employers, taxpayers, and the general public, and to outcomes related to learning, satisfaction, reputation, and support.

Who Are Your Beneficiaries and Constituencies?

Any or all of the following:

- Those who benefit from your organization's programs or services
- Those who influence, or are influenced by, your organization or its programs or services
- Those who provide resources or expertise essential to your organization's work
- Those who can choose to use or not use your programs or services
- Those who pay for your programs or services
- Those upon whom your organization's existence depends
- Those whose assessment of your performance and/or programs or services translates into financial or moral support, or a lack thereof

3.0 Exercise

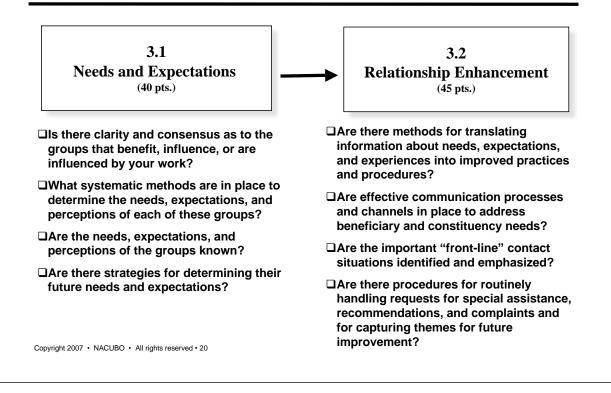
- What external groups or organizations* benefit from, influence, or are influenced by your organization or its programs or services?
- What methods do you use to assess the needs, expectations, perceptions, and/or satisfaction levels of each of those groups?

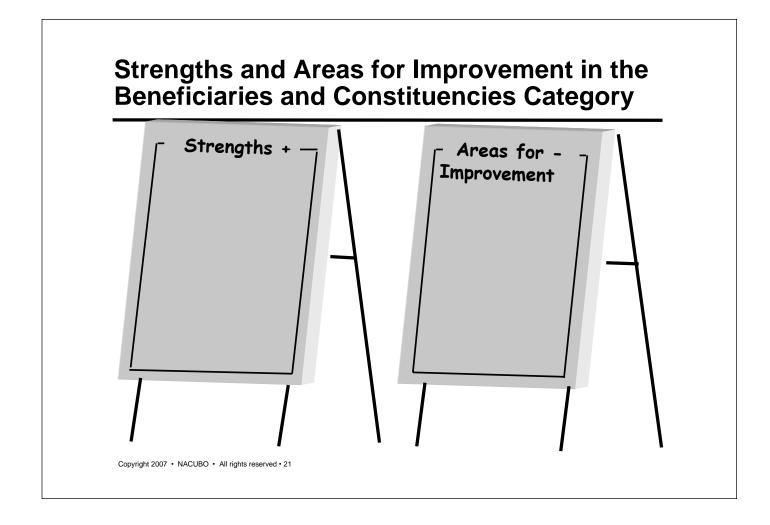
*Faculty and staff, and others employed by an institution are considered internal groups, and are the focus of Category 5. All other groups and organizations should be considered in Category 3.

Your Most Important Beneficiaries and Constituencies, and How You Monitor the Quality and Effectiveness of Your Relationship with Them

Beneficiary and Constituenc Group	cy Methods*
Example: Alumni	Five-Year Survey
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3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies Topics to be Considered (85 pts.)





Strategies for Enhancing Relationships with Beneficiaries and Constituencies

- Identify groups for which you provide programs, services, materials, or resources.
- Use interviews, focus groups, surveys, liaisons, and other methods to gain a clear understanding of the needs, perspectives, expectations, priorities, experiences, and sources of satisfaction and dissatisfaction of those groups.
- Analyze information about unmet needs and expectations, sources of dissatisfaction, and other gap areas.
- ▲ Do the following to address gaps:
 - Improve programs and services.
 - Use communication and education to negotiate new expectations.
 - Blend the two strategies.

Exemplary Practices ... Beneficiaries and Constituencies

- Has a genuine commitment to improving the experiences of beneficiary and constituency groups
- Displays an organization-wide service ethic, with a commitment to professionalism, courtesy, and responsiveness visible throughout the organization
- Has systematic approaches in place to learn about the needs, expectations, perceptions, and satisfaction (and dissatisfaction) levels of all beneficiary and constituency groups
- Disseminates information about beneficiary and constituency needs, expectations, and perceptions throughout the organization, using it to guide planning, day-to-day decision making, and improvement
- Puts emphasis on "front-line," people-to-people encounters, enhancing communication, and building the organization's reputation with campus and external groups
- Routinely responds to questions and special requests
- Views suggestions and complaints as opportunities, not problems
- Is widely recognized as a standard setter in building and maintaining strong relationships with beneficiary and constituency groups

The Rating Process

Approach: Methods Implementation: T	and strategies he way approaches are put into practice
➡ Are all aspects of th	e category addressed?
➡ To what extent are	the <u>approach</u> and <u>implementation</u> efforts
• Effective?	 Consistently applied?
Systematic?	 In place in all areas?
 Integrated? 	 Regularly reviewed and improved?
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Percentage Rating Guide

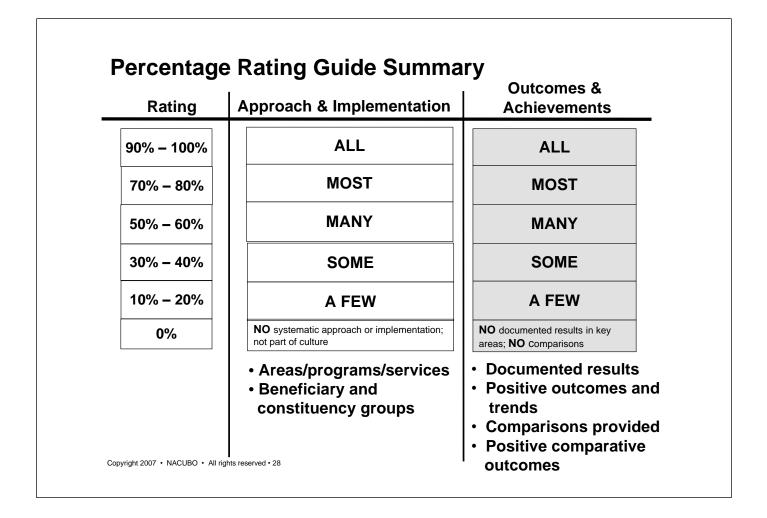
Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes and Achievements
▲ 100% to 90% ! ↓	 A superior approach; systematically addressing all dimensions of the category/item. Fully implemented without significant weakness or gaps in any area. Widely recognized leader in the category/item. Systematic approach and commitment to excellence and continuous improvement fully ingrained in the organization and its culture. 	 Exceptional, documented current and sustained outcomes and achievements related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information use. Clear and documented evidence that the institution, department, or program is a leader both in higher education and in general.
♦ 80% to 70% ! ♥	 A well-developed, systematic, tested, and refined approach in most areas, addressing most dimensions of the category. A fact-based assessment and improvement process throughout most of the organization with few significant gaps. Innovative; recognized as a leader in the category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement throughout most of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented current and sustained outcomes and achievements in most areas related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information use. Current outcomes and trends evaluated against—and comparing favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations.

Percentage Rating Guide

Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes and Achievements
♦ 60% to 50% ↓ ↓	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to many dimensions of the category/item. Approach well implemented in many areas, although there may be unevenness and inconsistency in particular work groups. A fact-based, systematic process in place for evaluating and improving effectiveness and efficiency in many areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in many areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented current and sustained outcomes and achievements for many areas in the various EHE categories. Many current and sustained outcomes and achievements evaluated against—and comparing favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations. No pattern of poor outcomes or adverse trends in key areas.
♦ 40% to 30% ! ♥	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to some dimensions of the category/item. Approach implemented in some areas, but some work units in the early stages of implementation. A systematic approach to assessing and improving effectiveness and efficiency in some areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in some areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented current and sustained outcomes and achievements in some areas related to the various EHE categories. Early stages of developing trends and obtaining comparative information in some areas.

Percentage Rating Guide

Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes and Achievements
▲ i 20% to 10% ! ♥	 The beginning of a systematic approach to a few dimensions of the category/item. Category criteria addressed in a few programs, services, activities, and processes. Major implementation gaps that inhibit progress in achieving the basic purpose of the category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in a few areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Outcomes and achievements documented in a few areas related to the various EHE categories. Evidence of positive results and improvements in a few areas. Minimal trend or comparative information.
0%	• No systematic approach to category/items; anecdotal information on approach and implementation; not part of the culture of the organization.	No documented results or poor results.No documented comparisons.

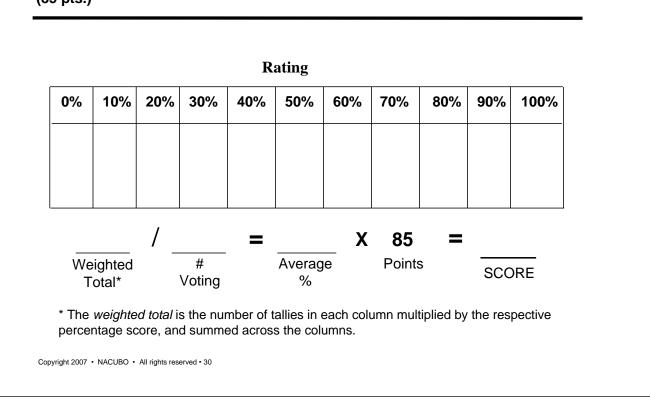


A Sample Rating Summary 3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies (85 pts.)

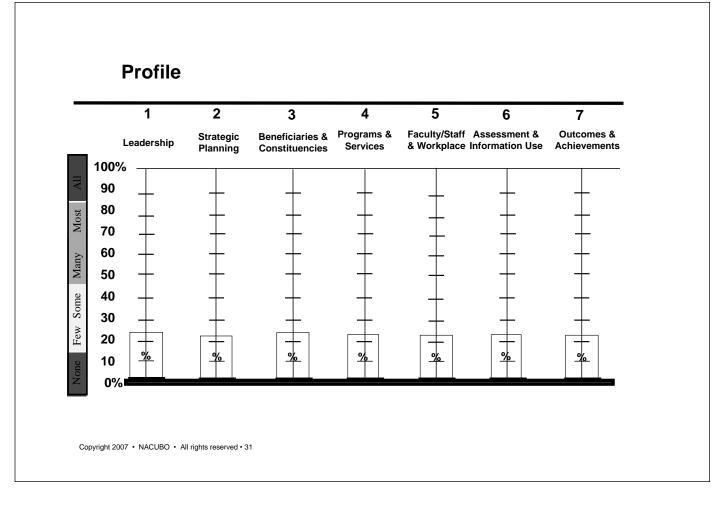
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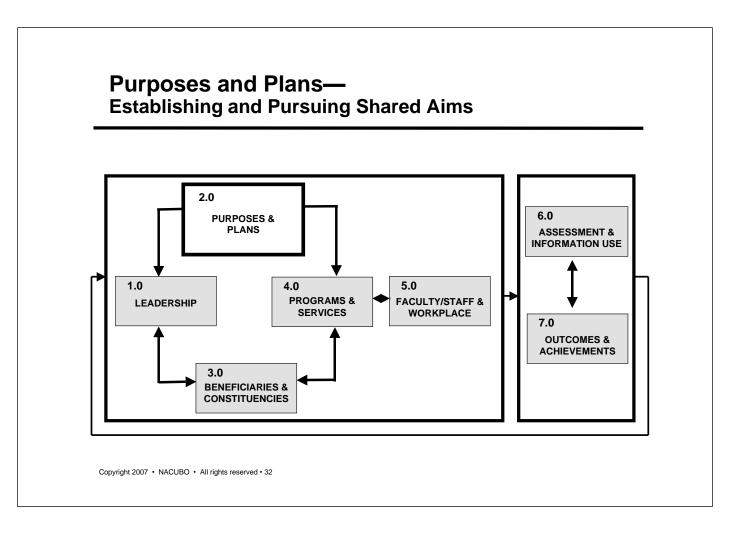
* The weighted total is the number of tallies in each column multiplied by the respective percentage score, and summed

across the columns. ^ The 85 points represents the number of points possible for this category following the Baldrige framework (85/1,000). The score of 27 is derived by multiplying .32 (32%) by the possible 85 points for the category. For most self-assessment uses of EHE, emphasis is placed on the ratings rather than the scores.



Scoring: 3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies (85 pts.)





2.0 Purposes and Plans (85 pts.) Topics to be Considered

2.1 Plan Development (40 pts.)

□ Are the mission, vision, values, and priorities clear and widely understood?

- Is there a published plan that specifies broad organizational goals?
- □ Is the plan appropriately disseminated?
- □ Is there a formalized planning process with clearly defined steps?
- Does the planning process consider:
 - Your mission, vision, and values,
 - and those of the larger organization?
 - Needs of beneficiaries and constituencies?
 - Challenges and opportunities?
 - Resource availability?
 - Organizational capabilities, culture, climate?
 - Coordination and alignment of plans
 - throughout the organization?

□ Is there a supporting communication plan?

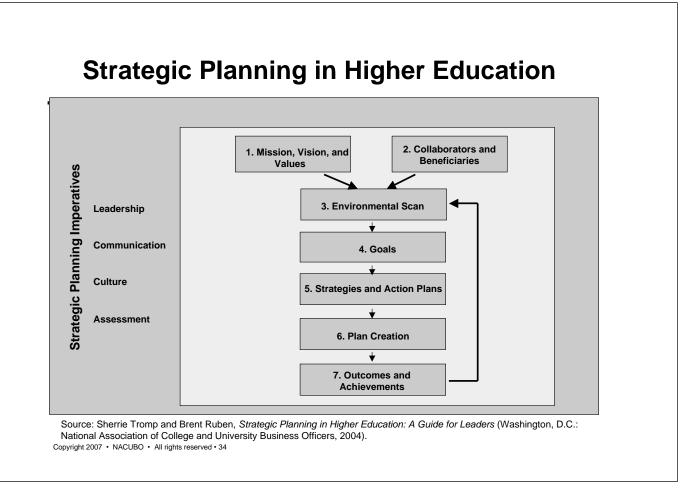
Does the planning process ensure broad participation?

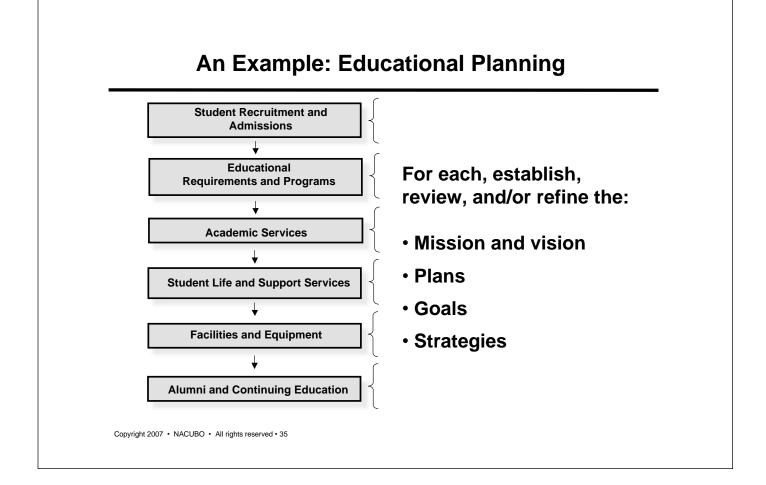
How is the process reviewed and improved?
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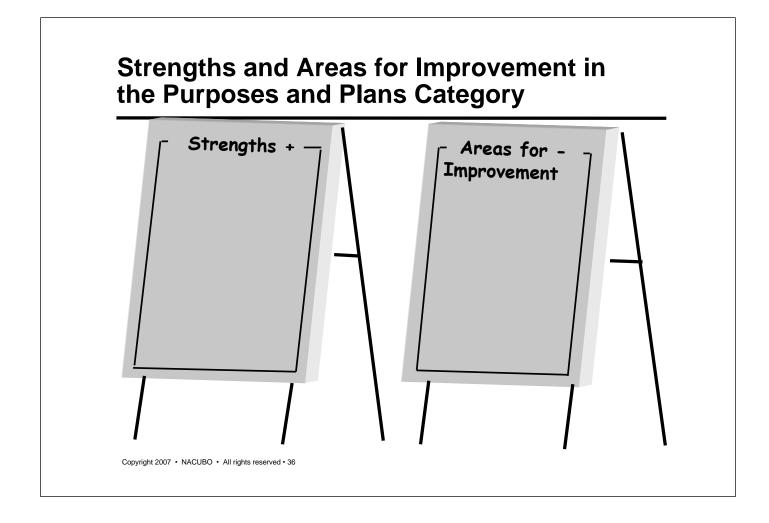
2.2 Plan Implementation (45 pts.)

- Are faculty and staff implementation roles and responsibilities clearly defined?
- □ Is information about changes/progress broadly and effectively communicated?
- Does follow-through ensure that:
 - Goals, strategies, action plans are clear
 - Short- and long-term goals have been defined
 - Beneficiaries and constituency groups are appropriately engaged
 - Goals align with institutional directions
 - Resources are available
 - Training needs are identified
 - Peers, competitors, and leaders are considered
- □ Is implementation synchronized throughout the organization?
- □ Is progress on plans, goals, and action steps monitored to ensure follow-through?

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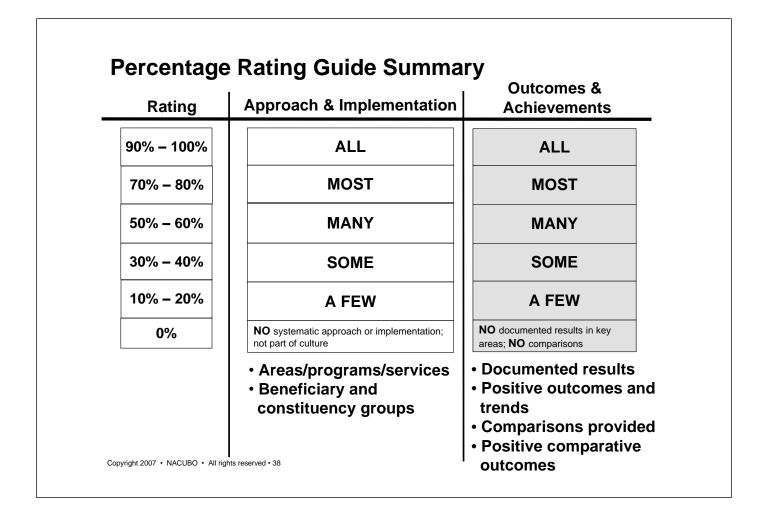


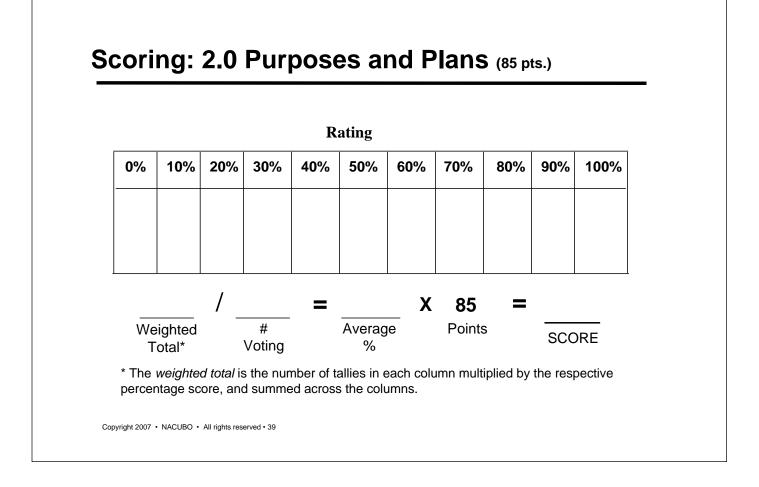




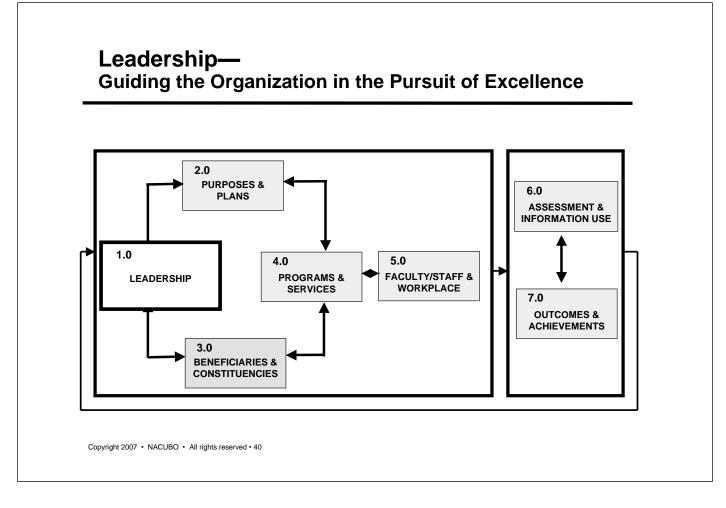
Exemplary Practices ... Purposes and Plans

- Members of the organization have a clear and shared sense of the organization's purpose and aspirations.
- A formal planning process is in place and understood by all.
- Plans describe short- and long-term goals.
- The planning process and plans are fully synchronized with the mission, vision, and values of the organization and with broader institutional goals.
- Comprehensive communication plans take account of the needs of key beneficiary and constituency groups.
- Plans include clear, measurable, ambitious goals and action plans with a strategy for monitoring progress to completion.
- Resources, climate, culture, and comparisons are integral to the planning process.
- Plans anticipate unexpected events and "crises."
- Plans, goals, and action plans are well understood and enthusiastically supported throughout the organization.

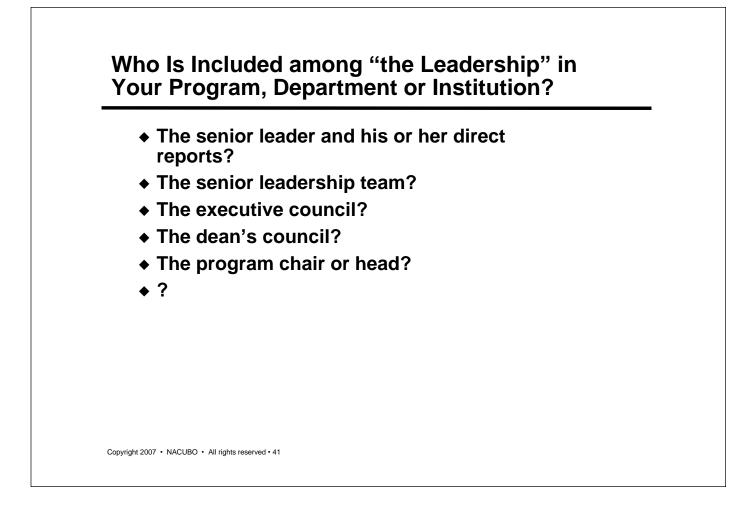








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1.0 Leadership (120 pts.) Topics to be Considered

1.1 Organizational Leadership (Internal) (80 pts.)

- Is the leadership and governance structure clearly defined and understood?
- Do leaders help to shape and advance the organization's purposes and plans?
- □ Are senior leaders effective role models?
- Do leaders emphasize the importance of:
 Excellence?
 - Planning?
 - Fact-based decision making?
 - Communication?
 - Organizational climate and culture?
 - Vision and follow-through?
 - Outcomes assessment?
- Do leaders promote leadership at all levels?
- Are there informal and formal methods for reviewing leadership and governance effectiveness throughout the organization?

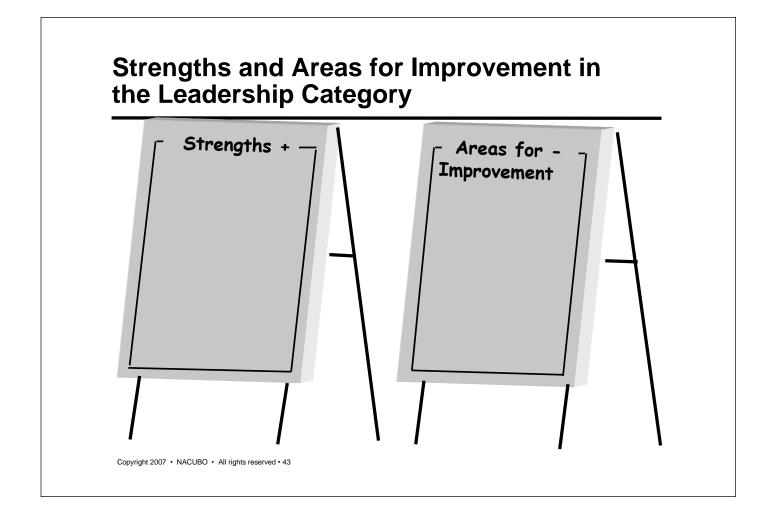
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1.2 Public and Professional Leadership (External) (20 pts.)

- Are leaders actively engaged in campus activities?
- Are leaders actively engaged with public, professional, and/or academic groups?

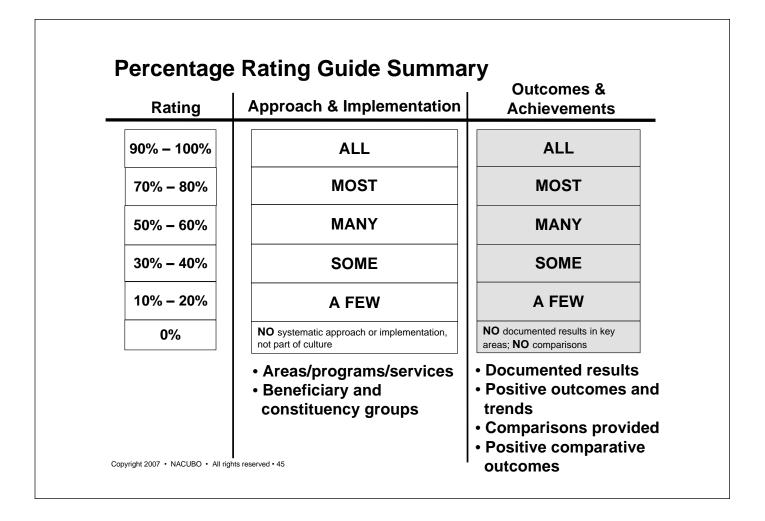
1.3 Ethics and Social Responsibility (20 pts.)

- □ Are ethics and integrity emphasized?
- □ Are the organization's pertinent legal and regulatory risks and issues addressed?
- Do leaders encourage public responsibility and attention to the organization's impact on the physical and social environment?

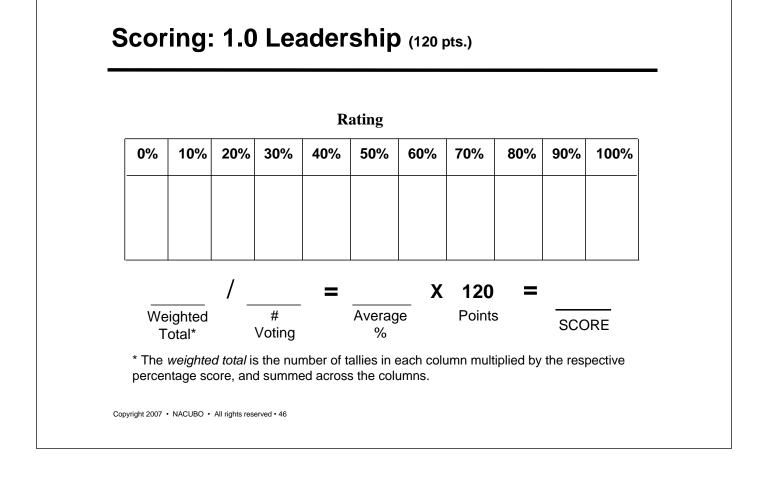


Exemplary Practices Leadership

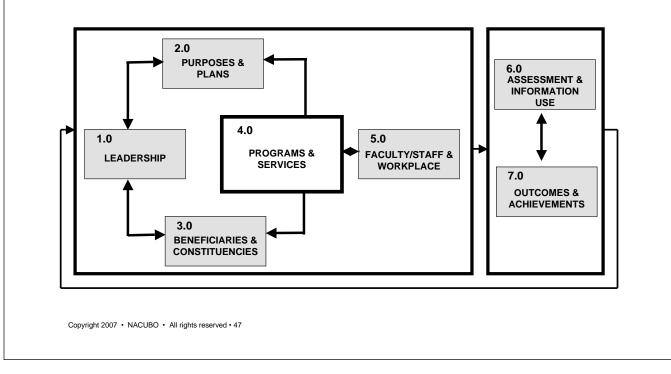
- Plays an active and visible role in communicating, clarifying, and helping refine the organization's purposes and plans
- Understands the leader's role in promoting organizational excellence
- Encourages leadership at all levels
- Is a role model (personal involvement, collaboration, inspiration, and energy)
- Adheres to the highest standards of personal ethics and integrity and establishes processes to ensure that these values permeate the organization
- Recognizes the organization's capabilities and aspirations
- Communicates effectively (listens thoughtfully, encourages expression of differing perspectives, and deals constructively with conflict)
- Builds shared understanding and creates a sense of community
- Establishes ambitious improvement goals, creates enthusiasm for change and innovation, and ensures follow-through
- Serves as an effective advocate for the organization with external groups
- Is visibly dedicated to the well-being of the organization, its employees, and the community
- Establishes procedures for systematically reviewing the effectiveness of leadership practices and governance systems
- Encourages and values feedback on one's own performance
- Shares expertise outside of the organization



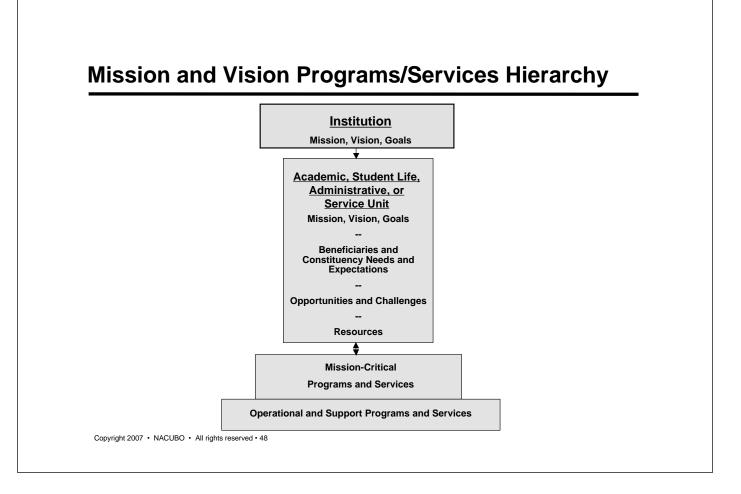




Programs and Services: Your Mission-Critical Work and the Associated Processes Necessary to Its Quality and Effectiveness



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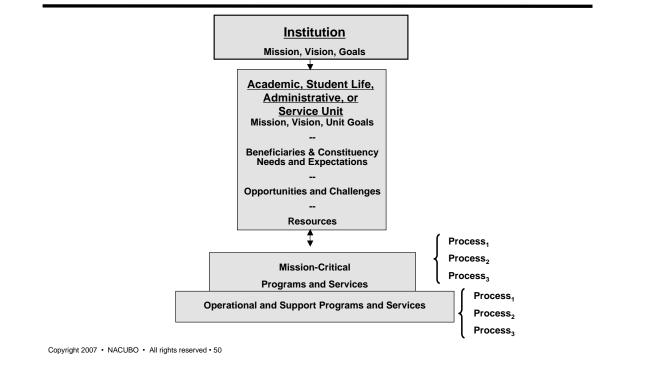
What Are Mission-Critical and Operational/Support Programs and Services?

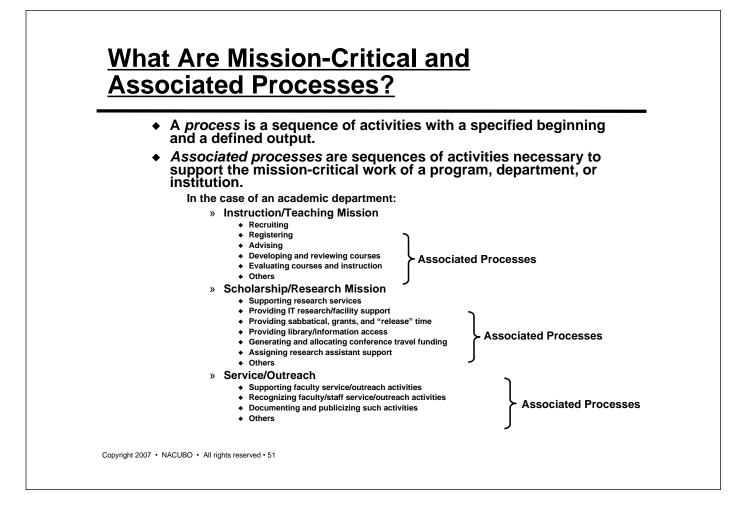
 Mission-critical programs and services are those essential to the fundamental purpose of a department or institution.

In the case of academic units, they are:

- » Instruction/teaching mission
- » Scholarship/research mission
- » Service/outreach mission
- Operational and support programs and services are those necessary to support mission-critical programs and services.

Where Processes Fit In: The Devil (and Often the Keys to Excellence) Is in the Details

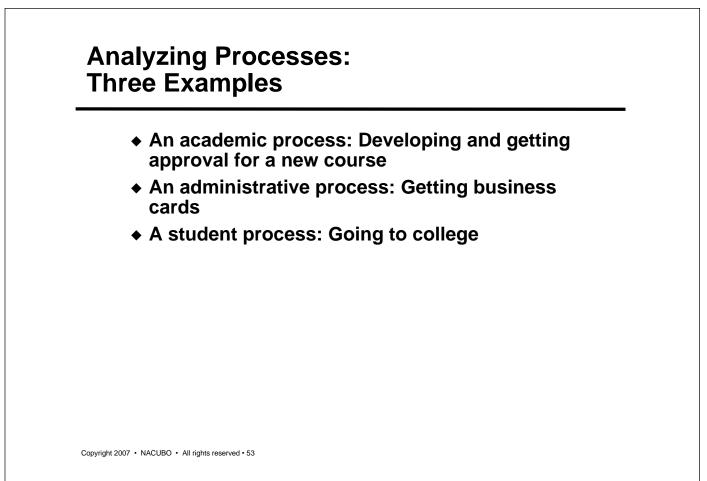




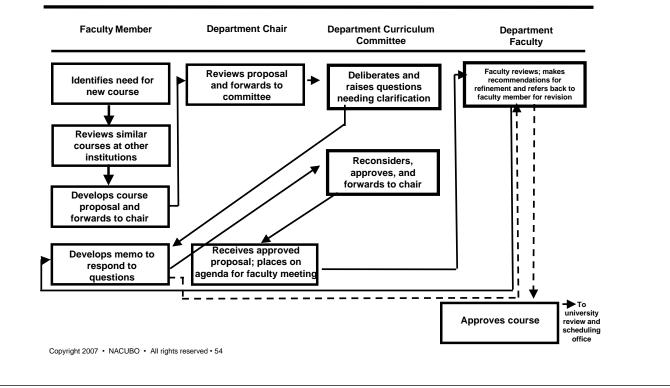
What Are Operational and Support Processes?

Operational and support processes are sequences of general administrative activities necessary to support the work of the unit.

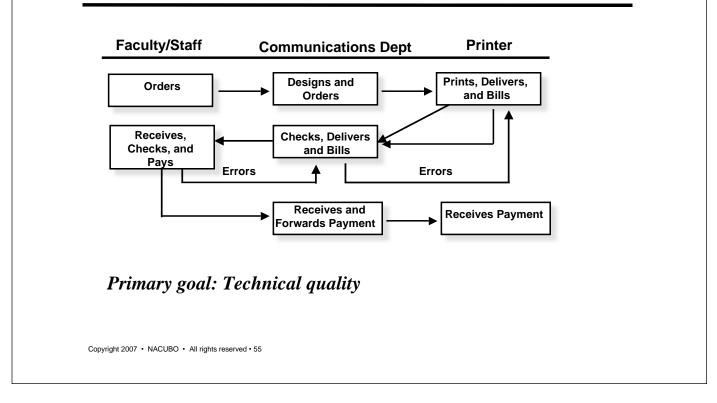
- » Recruiting, hiring, retention
- » Administration and clerical
- » Finances and budgeting
- » Facilities maintenance
- » Purchasing



Program and Service: *Instruction* One Associated Process: Developing a New Course

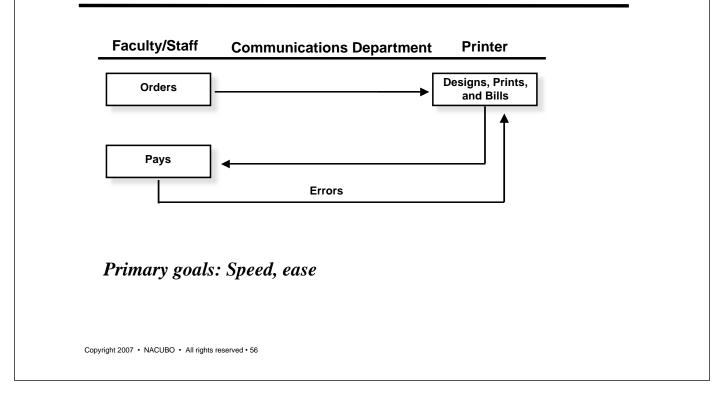


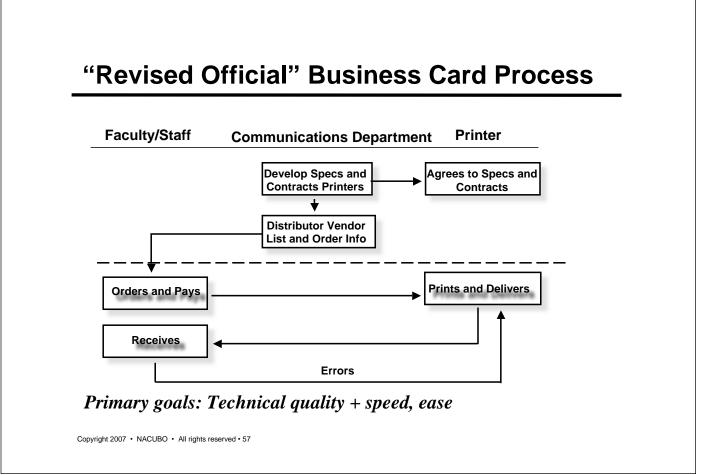
A Business Example: University "Official" Business Card Process

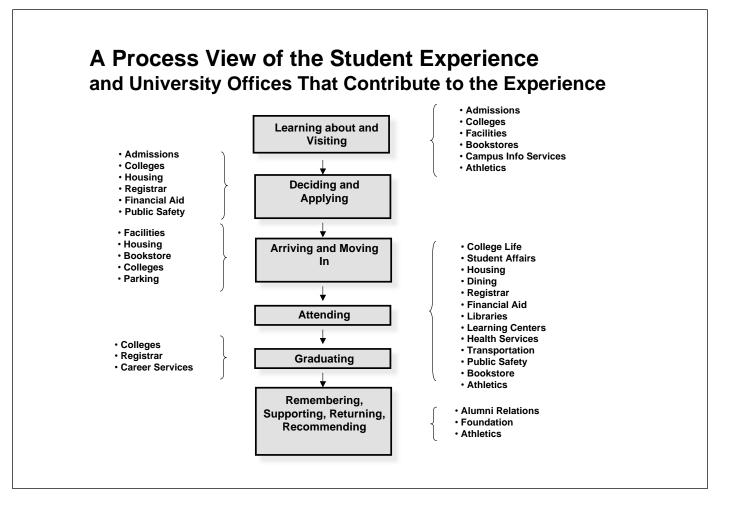




"Underground" Business Card Process









	List and briefly describe your mission-critical programs and services.
	List three of the most important processes* associated with each.
	Which of those processes are standardized and documented?
	Are the outcomes of the processes regularly reviewed and refined?
*Δ r	process is documented when you have identified the steps and
resp	onsible individuals or groups.

Mission-Critical Programs and Services and Associated Processes Matrix

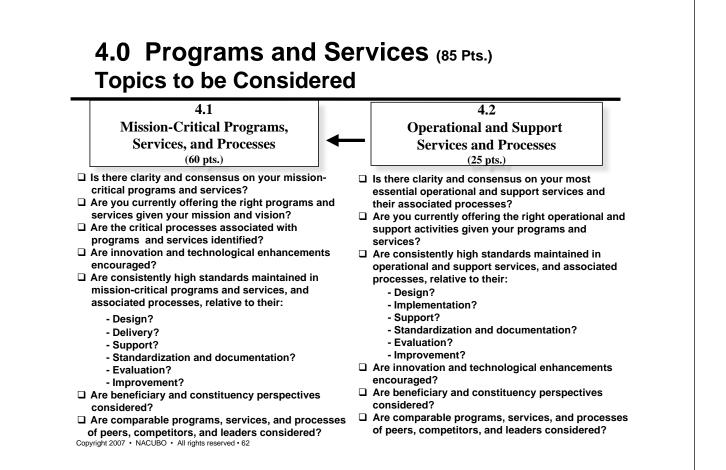
Mission-Critical Programs & Services (List)	Associated Processes* (List)	Standardized, Documented (Y/N)	Regularly Reviewed? (Y/N)

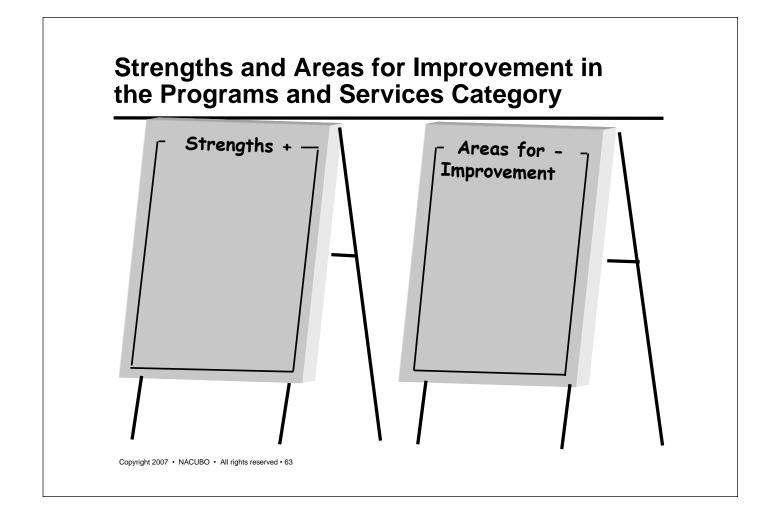
* Processes that are essential to your organization's mission.

Operational and Support Programs and Services and Associated Processes Matrix

Operational/Support Programs & Services (List)	Associated Processes* (List)	Standardized, Documented (Y/N)	Regularly Reviewed? (Y/N)

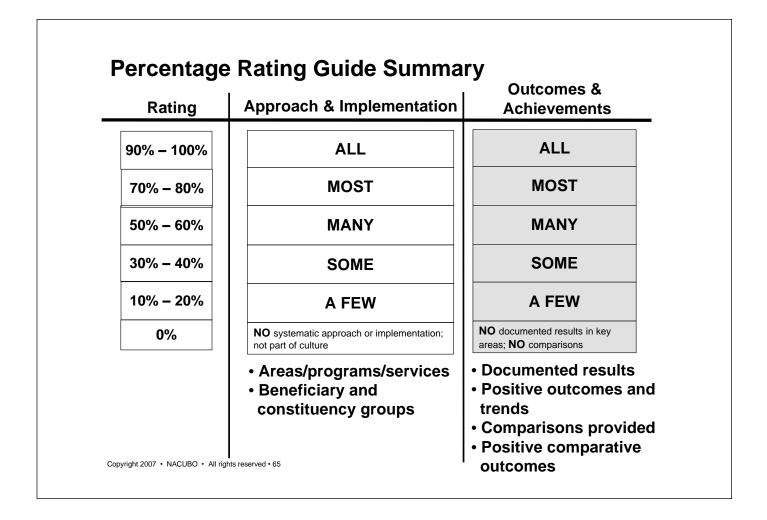
* Processes that are essential in support of your mission-critical programs and services.

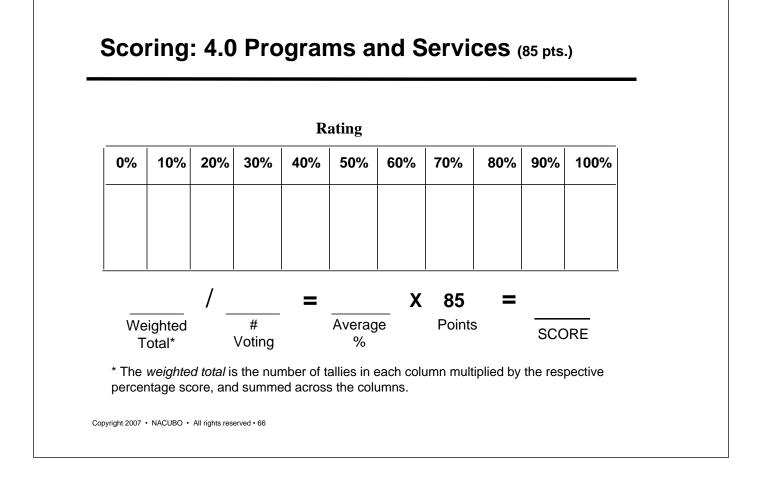




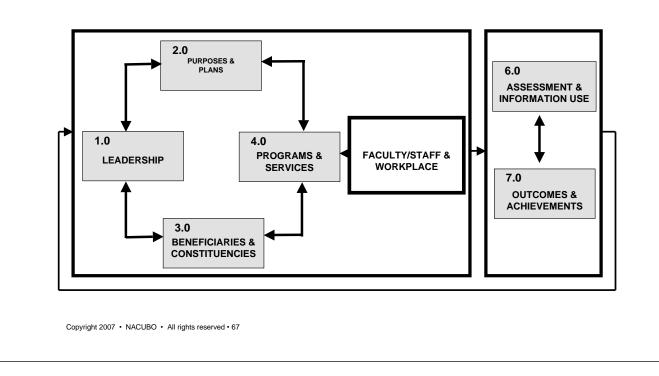
Exemplary Practices . . . Programs and Services

- Procedures are in place to ensure the organization meets high standards in the development, operation, and review of all programs and services and their associated processes.
- Processes operate in a way that eliminates the "you just need to know the right person" syndrome.
- Attention to continuous improvement, response/cycle time, cost, value, and responsiveness is apparent in all programs, services, and processes.
- Cross-functional groups evaluate and improve processes requiring collaboration across departments.
- Technological and process innovation are organization-wide values.
- Comparisons with peers, competitors, and leaders guide program and service development, implementation, and evaluation.
- Programs, services, and processes are reviewed and refined on a regular basis.





Faculty/Staff and Workplace— Creating and Maintaining an Outstanding Work Environment



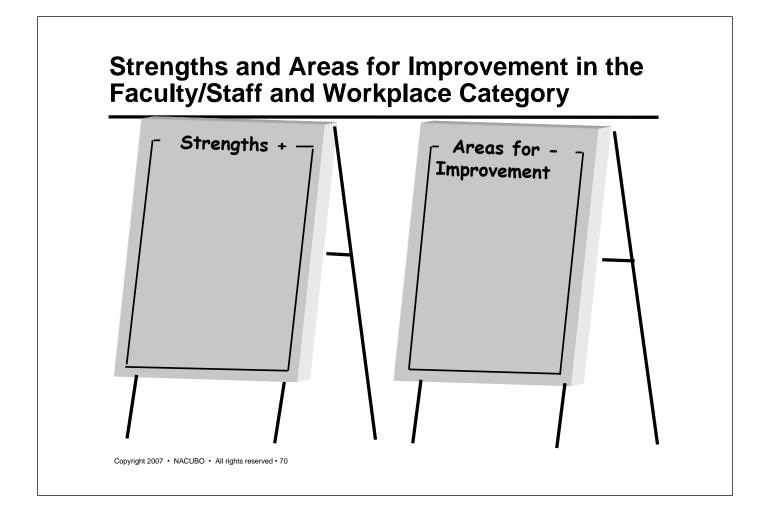
What Faculty and/or Staff Groups Are Being Considered in This Review?

What faculty and/or staff groups are a part of your organization?

- · Tenured/untenured?
- · Professional/support?
- · Full-time/part-time?
- · Unionized/nonunionized?
- · Others?
- · Are all such groups a focus of this review?
- · If not, which have you excluded, and why?

5.0 Faculty/Staff and Workplace (85 pts.) Topics to be Considered

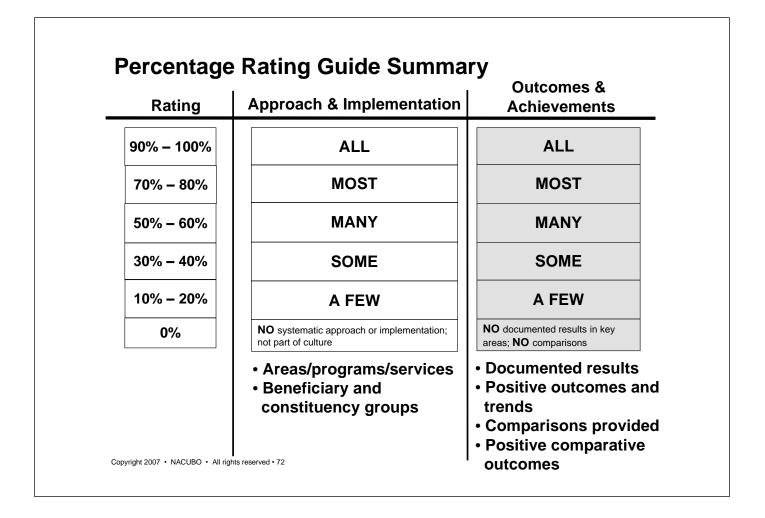
5.1 Faculty and Staff 5.2 Workplace (45 pts.) (40 pts.) Does the program, department, or institution □ Is the present organizational structure develop current and future staffing plans to appropriate for advancing the mission, vision, support and align with your purposes and plans? and goals? Are there systematic approaches for recruitment, Are position descriptions and responsibilities hiring, and retention of all faculty/staff groups? clearly defined and communicated? □ Is there an orientation for new faculty/staff? Do workplace practices encourage: Is basic job-related information effectively - Excellence? - Collegiality? communicated to new employees? - Collaboration? - Innovation? - Valuing diversity? - Ethics and integrity? □ Are performance review procedures in place for all faculty/staff groups? □ Is organizational flexibility encouraged through: Are recognition programs in place for faculty and - Cross-training? - Redesign of and staff? - Job rotation? work processes? - Technology? - Simplification/reduction Are professional development activities of job classifications? encouraged and provided? Is career development guidance provided? □ Are systematic methods in place for assessing the organization's success in □ Is faculty and staff satisfaction a priority? fostering the desired workplace values, Are methods in place to systematically practices, culture, and climate? monitor faculty/staff satisfaction?



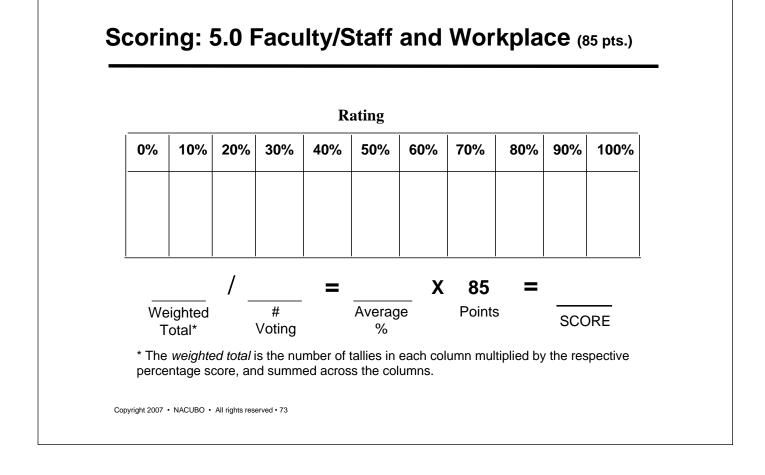


Exemplary Practices ... Faculty/Staff and Workplace

- Excellence, collaboration, and collegiality are pervasive organizational values.
- The jobs and goals of people, on the one hand, and the mission, vision, plans, and goals of the organization, on the other, are aligned.
- Meaningful review, reward, and recognition programs link individual and group accomplishments to the directions, aspirations, and priorities of the organization.
- Formalized workplace and workforce programs for all employee groups include welcome and orientation programs, career progression planning, and job enrichment opportunities.
- Professional development is an organizational and individual value.
- Systematic programs to assess workplace climate and faculty/staff satisfaction are in place, with procedures in place to address identified improvement needs.
- There is a shared sense of pride in the organization and a general feeling that "this is a great place to work."

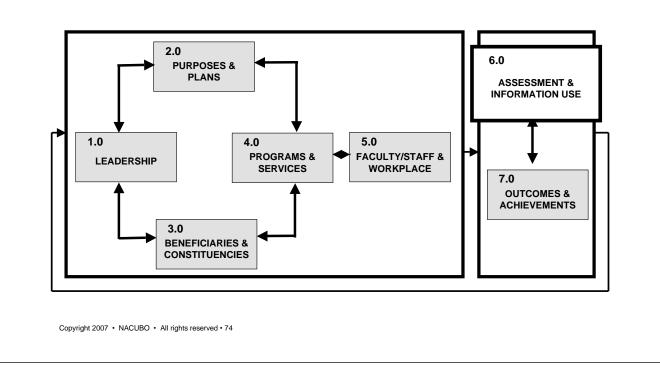


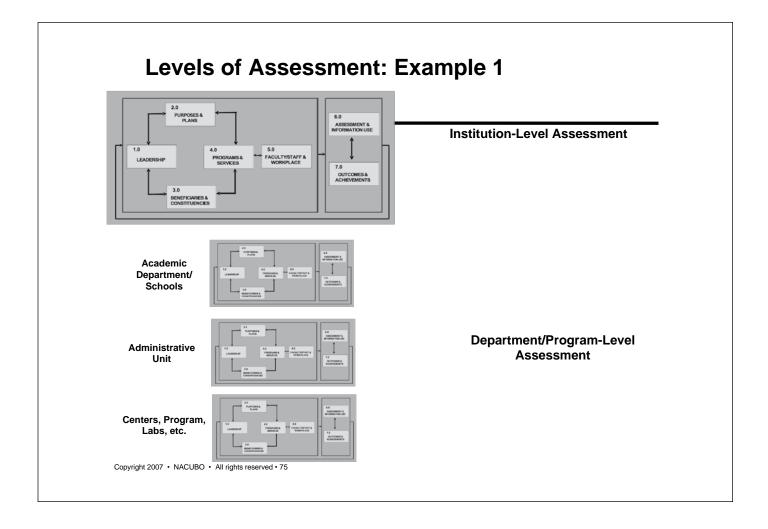




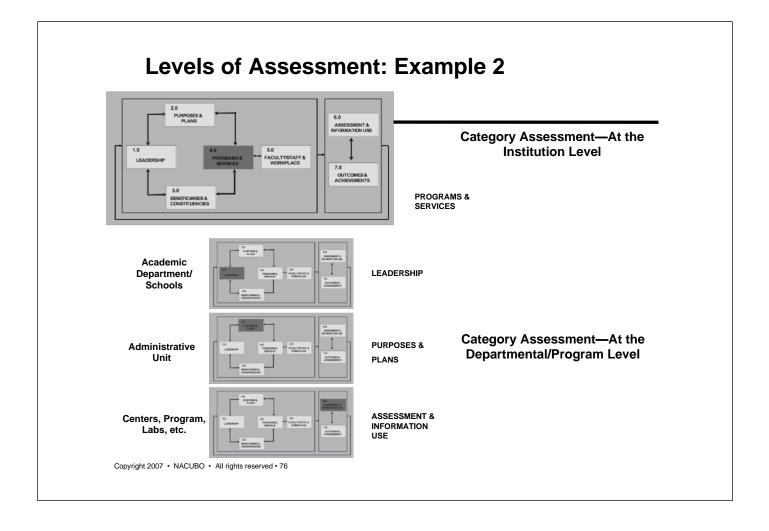
Assessment and Information Use—



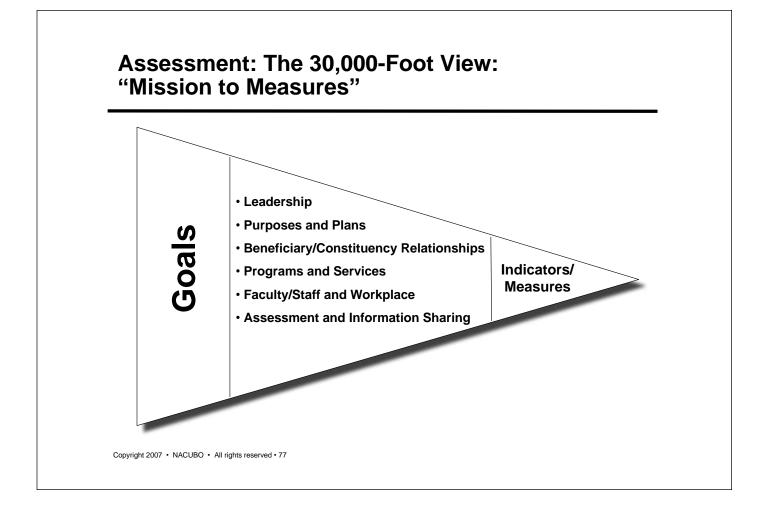


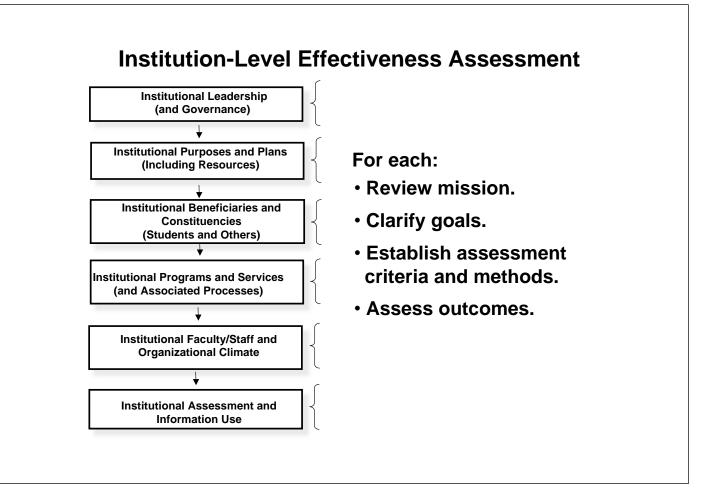




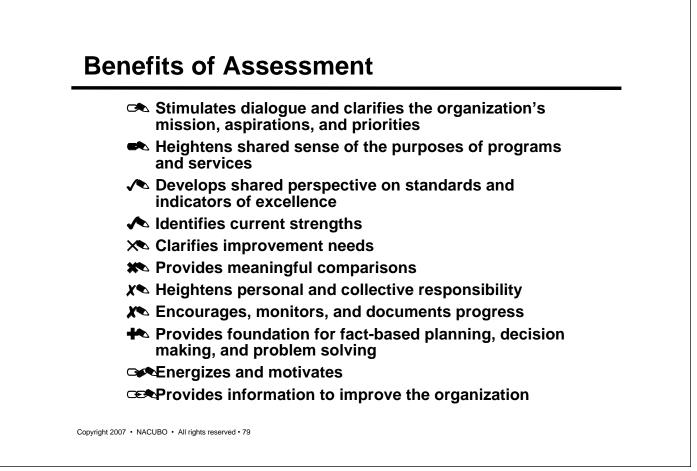






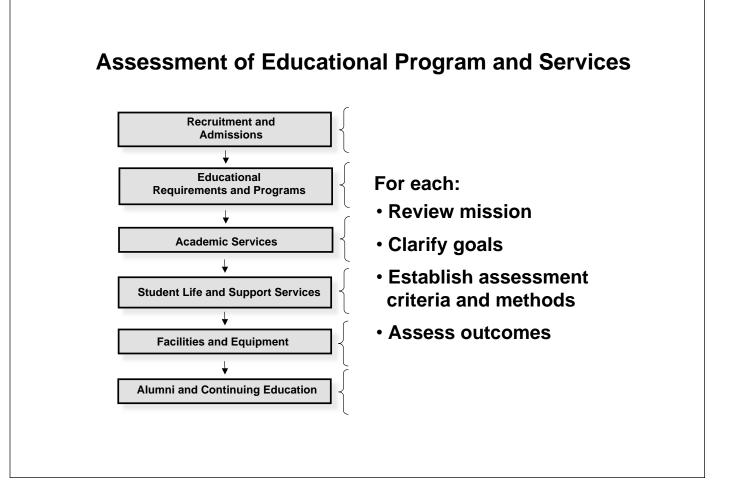


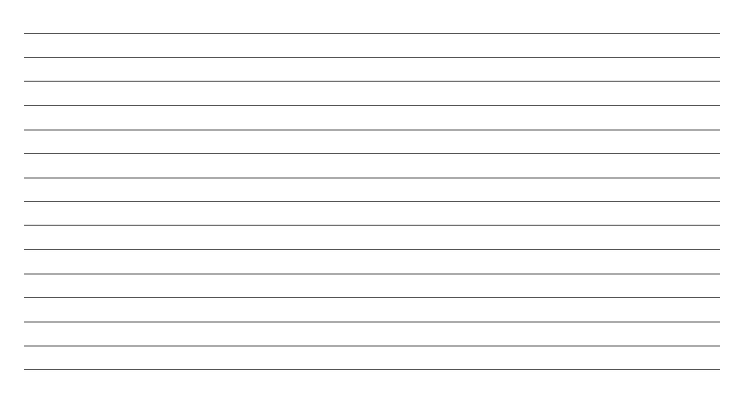


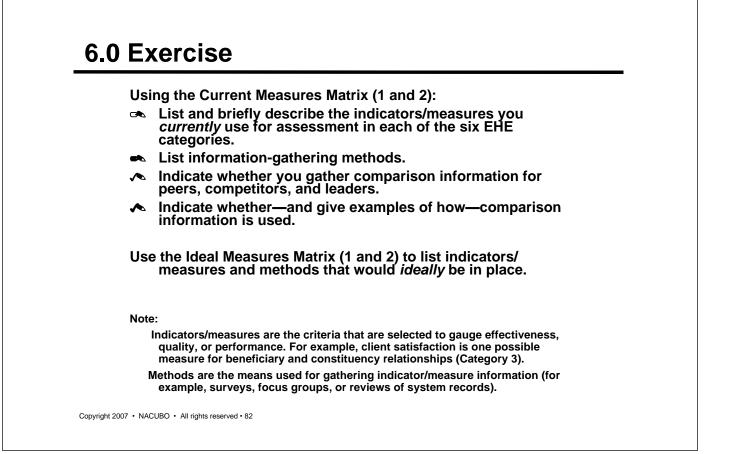


Steps in Establishing an Integrated Assessment Framework

- Clarify purposes, aspirations, and broad organizational goals.
- Assess outcomes and achievements relative to purposes, aspirations, goals, programs, and services. Include comparisons of outcomes over time, and comparisons with peers and other institutions and organizations. (In developing measures, take into account the perspectives of faculty and staff, and also of beneficiaries and constituencies.)
- Monitor and use results for documenting outcomes and achievements, informing day-to-day decision making and resource allocation, improving programs and service offerings, and generally enhancing quality and effectiveness.







Area/Category	Measures/Indicators (List)	Information-Gathering Methods (List)	Comparisons with Other Organizations? (List)	Outcomes Used for Improvement (Y/N-Examples
1. Leadership				
2. Purposes and Plans				
3. Beneficiaries and Constituencies				

6.0 Exercise: Current Measures Matrix 1

6.0 Exercise: Current Measures Matrix 2

Area/Category	Measures/Indicators (List)	Information-Gathering Methods (List)	Comparisons with Other Organizations? (List)	Outcomes Used for Improvement? (Y/N-Examples
4. Programs and Services				
Mission-Critical Programs & Services				
Operational and Support Services				
5. Faculty/Staff and Workplace				
6. Assessment and Information Use				



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6.0 Exercise: Ideal Measures Matrix 1

6.0 Exercise: Ideal Measures Matrix 2

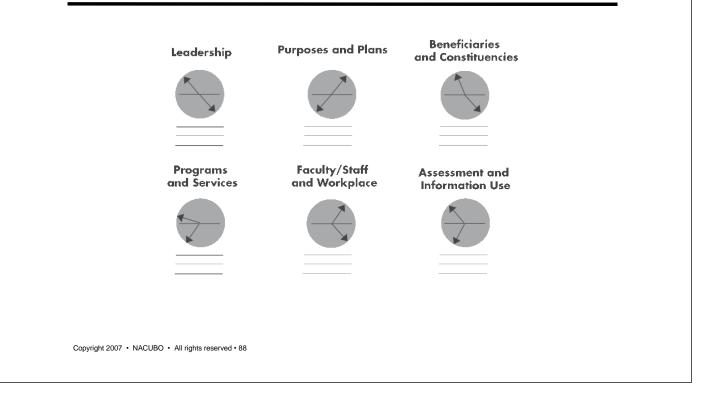
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Operational and Support Services				
5. Faculty/Staff and Workplace				
6. Assessment and Information Use				



A man /Catagona	Measures/Indicators	Information-Gathering	Comparisons	Outcomes
Area/Category	Established? (List)	Methods in Place? (List)	with Other Organizations	Used for Improvement (Y-N/Examples
1. Leadership	e.g., effectiveness ratings, external presence, accomplishments (renewal, promos. funding, space)	e.g., survey, review of reports	e.g., comp. to other units	e.g., use in annual plannin
2. Purposes and Plans	e.g., mission, vision, goals defined; goals achieved; extent of faculty/staff engagement in planning	groups, review of to last year commun suggestions and and peer cation, of		
3. Beneficiaries and Constituencies	e.g., reputation, perceptions of stakeholders, scope of stakeholder focus, complaints,	groups, review of	to last year	e.g., improve communi- cation, org. practices
4. Programs & Services Mission-Critical Programs and Services	e.g., consensus on goal measures, progress e.g., review of e.g., comp. to last year r graduates, funding, external recognition) progress, placement test and placement test units complexent to last year r graduates and placement test to last year r graduates test year r gradua		e.g., use goal and outcome measures to improve offerings and methods	
Operational and Support Services	e.g., efficiency, satisfaction, perceptions of effectiveness	e.g., review of internal records, staff survey	e.g., comp. to last year and peer units	e.g., streamline procedures
5. Faculty/Staff and Workplace	e.g., qualifications, recruitment success, retention, satisfaction	e.g., review of internal records, survey, exit interviews	e.g., comp. to last year and peer units	e.g., revised orientation
6. Assessment and Information Use	e.g., scope of system in place, enhancements, use	e.g., review of internal records	e.g., comp. to last year and peers	e.g., use in planning

6.0 Exercise: Measures Matrix (Example)

Another Way of Displaying Assessment Results



6.0 Assessment and Information Use (90 pts.) Topics to be Considered

6.1 Assessment Approach and Methods (45 pts.)

Do you assess the quality & effectiveness of:
 Leadership?
 Purposes and plans?

- Beneficiary and constituency relationships?
- Programs and services?
- Faculty/staff satisfaction and workplace climate?
- Assessment and information use?

□ For each of those categories/areas:

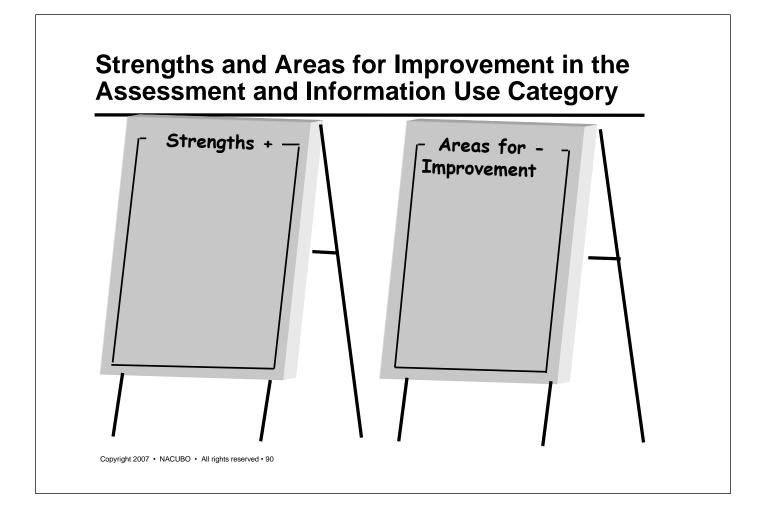
- Are indicators and measures clearly defined?
- Are systematic information-gathering procedures in place?
- Is assessment information used for improvement?

6.2 Comparative Analysis (20 pts.)

Do you compare current assessment outcomes and accomplishments with results from previous years?

□ Do you compare assessment outcomes and accomplishments with peers and leaders? Copyright 2007 • NACUBO • All rights reserved • 89 6.3 Information Sharing and Use (25 pts.)

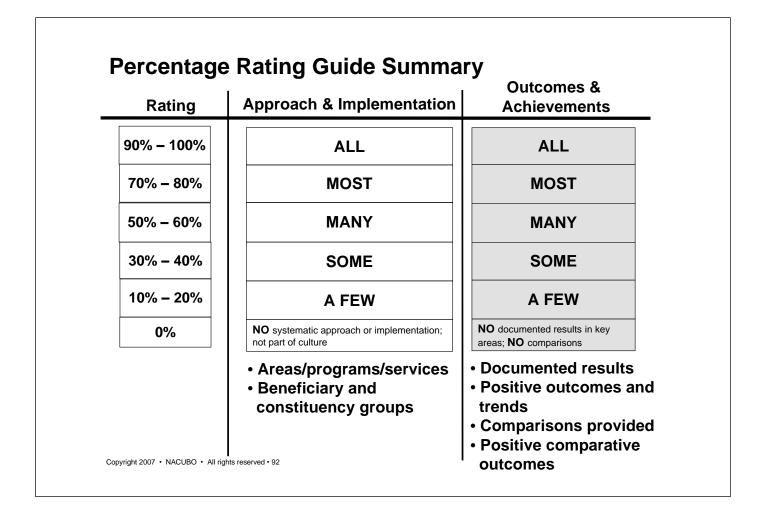
- Is assessment outcome and accomplishment information—and other knowledge and expertise—effectively shared among members of your organization?
- Is outcome and achievement information and other information—effectively used to guide day-to-day decision making, planning, and improvement?
- Are data/information collection, storage, retrieval, and dissemination activities effectively coordinated?
- Is information technology effectively used for the diffusion of ideas and innovations?
- Are information and technology policies in place for access, currency, security, and other key concerns, and are policies regularly reviewed and refined?

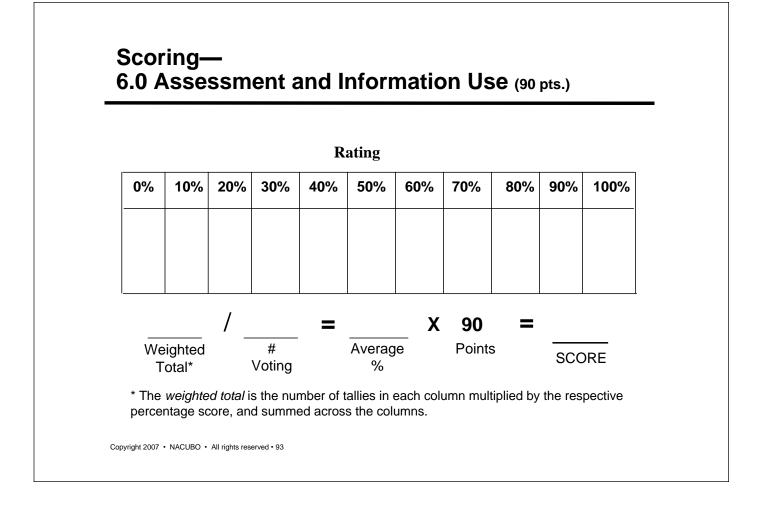




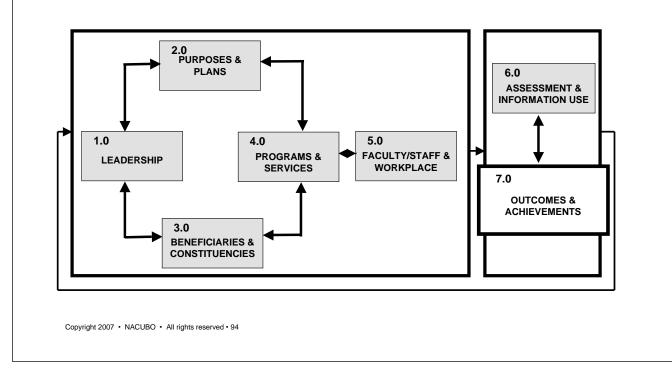
Exemplary Practices ... Assessment and Information Use

- Outcome and achievement indicators are anchored in organizational and institutional mission, vision, values, goals, and priorities.
- A comprehensive set of indicators is in place for assessing organizational excellence and effectiveness in all categories/areas.
- Systems are in place to ensure wide access to—and use of outcomes and achievements information.
- Organizational measures are used to assess effectiveness, create focus, and guide day-to-day decision making, resource allocation, planning, and improvement activities.
- Knowledge, expertise, and effective practices information is shared and utilized throughout the organization.
- The effectiveness and efficiency of information systems, technology, and policy are regularly reviewed, reported, and improved.
- Appropriate comparison organizations have been identified, and information-gathering and exchange processes are in place to allow for comparisons in all categories.
- Comparison information is used effectively for assessment and improvement.





Outcomes and Achievements— What the Results Demonstrate about Quality and Effectiveness



7.0 Outcomes and Achievements

What does the evidence indicate? Considering your current outcomes and achievements—and comparisons with peers, competitors, and leaders—how successful is your program, department, and/or institution in achieving and sustaining excellence and effectiveness in the areas of:

- 1. Leadership?
- 2. Purposes and plans?
- 3. Beneficiary and constituency relationships?
- 4. Programs and services?
- 5. Faculty/staff satisfaction and workplace climate?
- 6. Assessment and information use?

Category 6 and Category 7—An Analogy:
Your Organization's Report Card

Category 6.0	Pport Card Category 7.0
On What Should You Be Graded?	 What Grade Did You Get? Are You Improving over Time? How Do You Compare to Others?
-Reading -Writing -Math -Plays Well with Others	

7.0 Outcomes and Achievements (450 pts.) Topics to be Considered

7.1 Leadership (55 pts.)

What are your documented and positive outcomes?

- Is trend information available and favorable?
- Are comparisons documented and favorable?

7.2 Purposes and Plans (35 pts.)

- □ What are your documented and positive outcomes?
- Is trend information available and favorable?
- □ Are comparisons documented and favorable?

7.3 Beneficiaries and Constituencies (85 pts.)

□ What are your documented and positive outcomes?

- □ Is trend information available and favorable?
- □ Are comparisons documented and favorable?

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7.4 Programs and Services (175 pts.)

- □ What are your documented and positive outcomes?
- Is trend information available and favorable?
- □ Are comparisons documented and favorable?

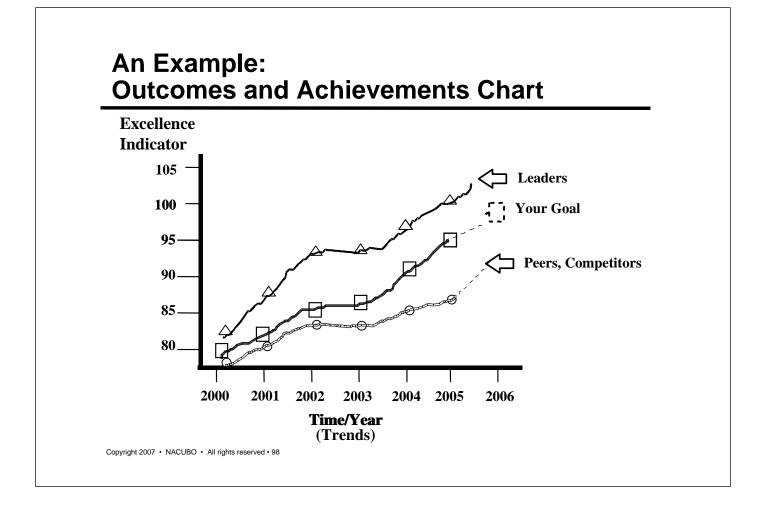
7.5 Faculty/Staff and Workplace (65 pts.)

- □ What are your documented and positive outcomes?
- Is trend information available and favorable?
- □ Are comparisons documented and favorable?

7.6 Assessment and Information Use (35 pts.)

What are your documented and positive outcomes?

- □ Is trend information available and favorable?
- Are comparisons documented and favorable?



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Indicators (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
 Results from leadership survey in the areas of: 				
 Internal communication 	+	+	+	?
External communication	NC	NC	-	?
Effectiveness rating	+	+	+	+
Progress on 2006 leadership initiatives	+	?	+	?
Fund raising	+	+	+	+
• Etc.				
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7.1 Leadership: An Example

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 Results from leadership survey in the areas of: 				
Internal communication	+	+	+	?
External communication	-	NC	-	?
Effectiveness rating	+	+	+	+
 Progress on 2006 leadership initiatives 	+	?	+	?
• Fund raising	+	+	+	+
• Etc.				
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7.1 Leadership

Indicators (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	Compared to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
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7.2 Purposes and Plans

Indicators (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	Compared to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
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Indicators for Each Group (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	Compared to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
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7.3 Beneficiaries and Constituencies

NC = No Change

7.4.A Programs and Services (Mission Critical)

ndicators for Each Program/Service (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	Compared to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
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NC = No Change 7.4.B Services (Operational and Support Services)

Indicators (What we <u>currently</u> measure)	Outcomes for This Year (+/-/?)	Compared to Previous Years (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Plans and Goals (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)	Compared to Peers and Leaders (+/-/ <u>NC</u> /?)
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NC = No Change

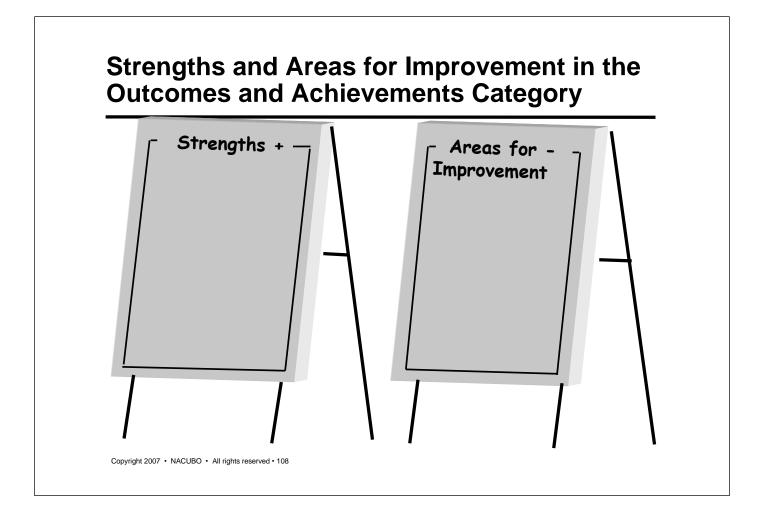
7.5 Faculty/Staff and Workplace

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7.6 Assessment and Information Use



Exemplary Practices ... Outcomes and Achievements

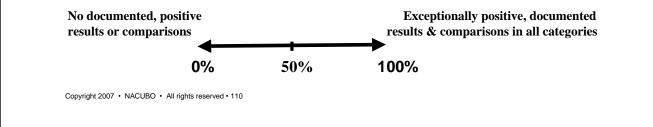
- The institution, department, or program is distinguished—recognized for excellence locally, regionally, and nationally.
- Programs and services—and the organization overall—are recognized as among the best of their kind anywhere.
- Positive and sustained outcomes and achievements are documented in the areas of leadership; purposes and plans; beneficiary and constituency relationships; programs and services; faculty/staff satisfaction and workplace climate; and assessment and information use, and in terms of fulfilling the overall mission, vision, and broad organizational goals.
- No unfavorable outcomes or trends seen in key categories/areas.
- Organization has a record of significant achievement and continuous improvement in effectiveness, productivity, value, and efficiency, particularly in mission-critical processes.
- Favorable comparison outcomes are documented in all the above areas in relation to peer, competitive, and leading organizations.
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Rating Dimensions for Category 7

The term outcomes and achievements refers to results.

Are there:

- Documented outcomes in all categories?
- Direct linkages to the organization's mission, vision, plans, goals?
- Positive results for key quality and effectiveness measures/indicators?
- Favorable assessments of current performance?
- Improvement trends over time?
- Positive comparisons with peers, competitors, and/or leading organizations?



Percentage Rating Guide

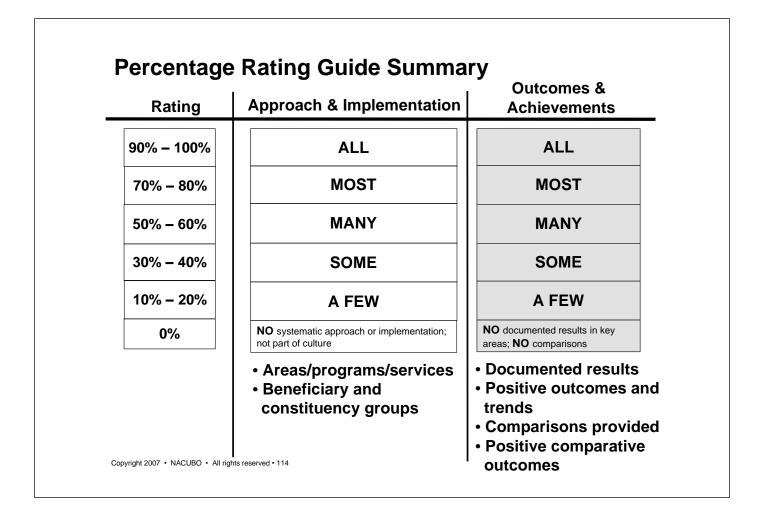
Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes & Achievements
▲ 100% to 90% !	 A superior approach; systematically addressing all dimensions of the category/item. Fully implemented without significant weakness or gaps in any area. Widely recognized leader in the category/item. Systematic approach and commitment to excellence and continuous improvement fully ingrained in the organization and its culture. 	 Exceptional, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information use. Clear and documented evidence that the institution, department, or program is a leader both in higher education and in general.
♦ 80% to 70% ! ♥	 A well-developed, systematic, tested, and refined approach in most areas, addressing most dimensions of the category. A fact-based assessment and improvement process throughout most of the organization with few significant gaps. Innovative; recognized as a leader in the category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement throughout most of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements in most areas related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information use. Current outcomes and trends are evaluated against—and compare favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations.

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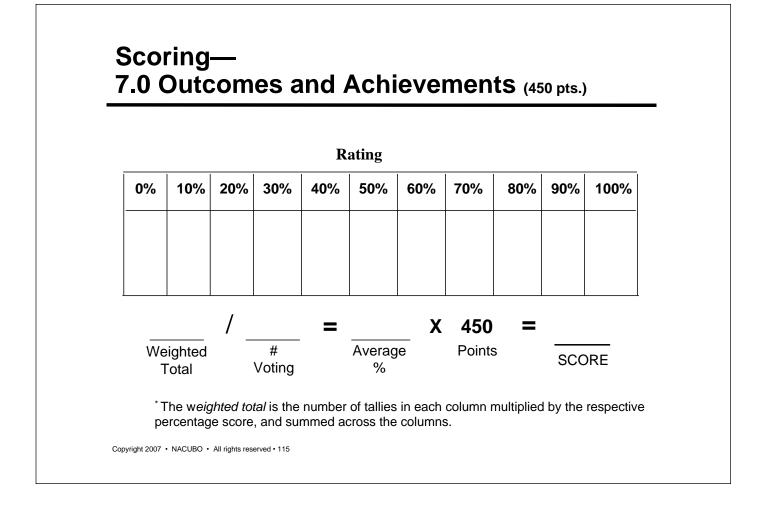
Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes & Achievements
♦ 60% to 50%	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to many dimensions of the category/item. Approach well implemented in many areas, although there may be unevenness and inconsistency in particular work groups. A fact-based, systematic process in place for evaluating and improving effectiveness and efficiency in many areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in many areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements for many areas related to the various EHE categories. Many current and sustained outcomes and achievements evaluated against—and comparing favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations. No pattern of poor outcomes or adverse trends in key areas.
4 0% to 30%	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to some dimensions of the category/item. Approach implemented in some areas, but with some work units in the early stages of implementation. A systematic approach to assessing and improving effectiveness and efficiency in some areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in some areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements in some areas related to the EHE categories. Early stages of developing trends and obtaining comparative information in some areas.

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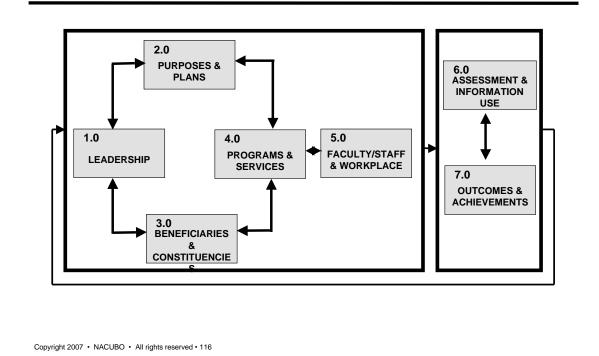
Rating	Approach/Implementation	Outcomes & Achievements
▲ i 20% to 10% ↓	 The beginning of a systematic approach to a few dimensions of the category/item. Category criteria addressed in a few programs, services, activities, and processes. Major implementation gaps that inhibit progress in achieving the basic purpose of category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in a few areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Outcomes and achievements documented in a few areas related to the various EHE categories. Evidence of positive results and improvements in a few areas. Minimal trend or comparative information.
0%	• No systematic approach to category/items; anecdotal information on approach and implementation; not part of the culture of the organization.	No documented results or poor results.No documented comparisons.





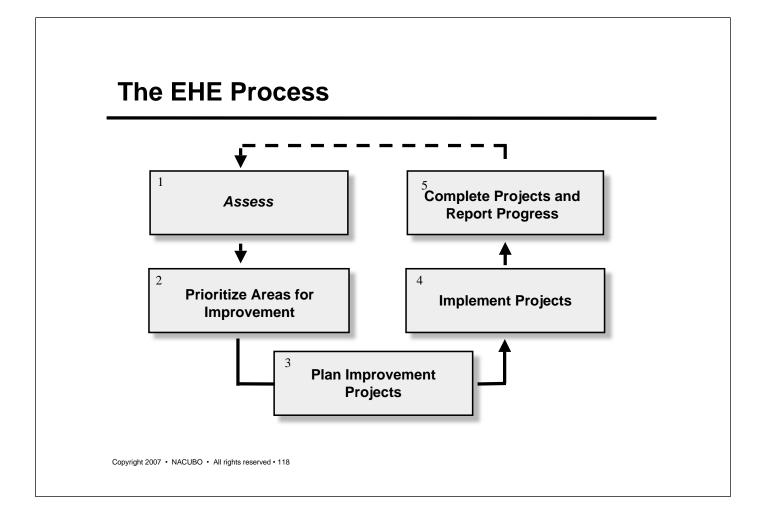


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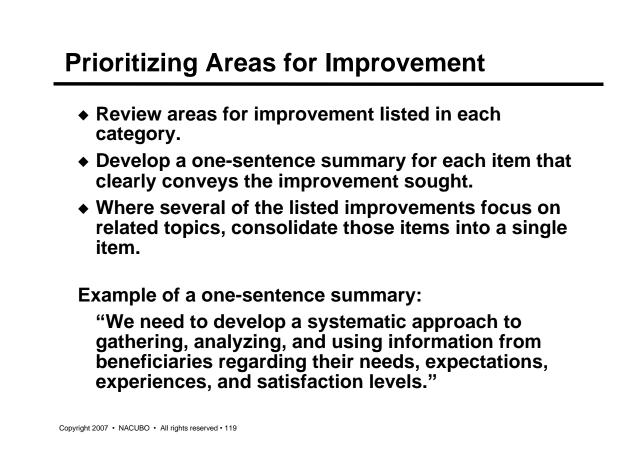


EHE Themes

- *Leadership.* Define, communicate, and model a commitment to the purposes and plans of the organization.
- *Purposes and plans.* Set clear directions and aspirations, translate into plans with ambitious goals, and see those plans through to completion.
- Beneficiaries and constituencies. Listen to and understand the needs and perspectives of the groups you serve. Develop an organization-wide service ethic; identify and close gaps.
- Programs and services. Identify, analyze, standardize, and continuously improve the quality and effectiveness of programs, services, and their associated processes to ensure that units meet the highest possible standards.
- Faculty/staff and workplace. Create a culture that encourages excellence, engagement, professional development, commitment, and pride. Reward and recognize performance and synchronize individual and organizational goals.
- Assessment and information use. Assess quality and effectiveness in all areas; effectively share and use the assessment results and other information, knowledge, and expertise throughout the organization and beyond.
- Outcomes and achievements. Document your progress and achievements. Compare your achievements and accomplishments against those of peers, competitors, and leaders. Communicate your outcomes and achievements widely.







Criteria for Prioritizing Projects

- Impact
- Urgency
- Within your control and capability
- Prerequisite to a larger initiative
- Organizational support available

Creating Project Improvement Plans and Teams For each improvement area the group has selected as a priority, develop an action plan by specifying:

Project de	scription:			
Action ste	eps:	Project	members:	
1.		•		
2.		•		
3.		•		
4.				
Funding c	onsiderations:			
Communi	cation issues:			
Deliverab	les:			
Time fram	e (start-up, milestone	s, target completion d	ate):	
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Project ef	fectiveness measur	e(s):		
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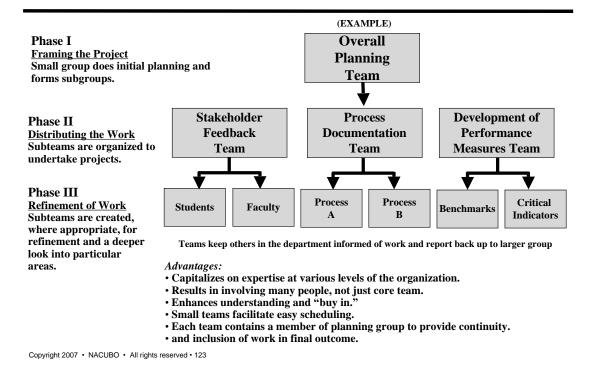


Sample Project Planning Template

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Sponsor(s): Who or what organization is sponsoring the project?	Project leader: Who is the best person to ensure a collaborative, inclusive approach to achieving the project goal(s)?
Project description: In one or two senten he scope of the project?	ences, how can you clearly define
Action steps: Vhat kinds of broad activities need to be part of the project plan?	Project members: Which individual positions need to be represented in the group to bring the best input, ideas, and expertise to the project?
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Project Planning Phases: An Example



Benefits of EHE Self-Assessment Process

- Clarifies current strengths
- Fosters a common perspective on improvement possibilities, needs, and priorities
- Creates a baseline measure and the basis for assessing progress
- Translates priorities into action plans
- Encourages broadened faculty/staff involvement in purposes and plans and improvement
- Provides proactive response to performance measurement pressures
- Creates a shared language
- Provides a common framework for organizational analysis, planning, and improvement initiatives

Ways to Use EHE Results

- To generate a list of improvement priorities
- To identify categories of particular strength and those that would benefit from improvement
- To create a baseline for future comparisons (based on average rating results and extent of agreement among members of the organization)
- To develop organizational profiles for descriptive or comparative purposes—for a single unit over time or across units or departments
- As the basis for identifying future organizational and professional development needs

Categories	Strengths	Areas for Improvement	Good	Acceptable	Needs to Be Addressed
1. Leadership	 Leaders are open to feedback Visible dedication Leadership effectiveness feedback system has be developed Commitment to generating funds Active external representation by leaders on campus 	 Need to increase encouragement of entrepreneurial activity increase active external representation by leaders within community and field 	х		
2. Purposes and Plans	 Clear, differentiated, and shared sense of purpose and future direction Several programs within the unit have operational plans A new planning process is being developed and will be implemented next year 	 Address resources as a part of planning process Need environmental assessment to identify strengths, weaknesses, and particularly threats and opportunities Need a more formalized planning process 	х		
3. Beneficiaries and Stakeholders	High quality access to faculty/staff Faculty dedicated to students Staff emphasize service orientation A number of mechanisms in place for identifying student and workplace needs	 Improve Web site and other electronic systems for communicating with students Need more systematic approaches to gathering data on stakeholder needs, experiences, and expectations 		x	
4. Programs and Service	S S Establishing new advising system Committee has been formed to review the major requirements Good laboratory facilities Most faculty are active scholars	 Review and update curricula Improve support and resources for teaching and scholarship Increase outreach and community engagement 		х	
5. Faculty/Staff and Workplace	 Sense of community, especially among senior faculty and staff 	 Need to establish mentoring system for young faculty Improve professional travel support for faculty/staff Review effectiveness of organizational structure 			х
6. Assessment and Information Use	 Some useful information is available Some assessment measures/indicators are in place 	 Need to systematize gathering, Implementation, and use of the assessment in all areas 		x	
Composi	te rating in Approach & Implen	nentation for Unit 1		Х	

Sample Summary Chart, Categories 1–6

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Sample Summary Chart, Category 7

Categories	Favorable Outcomes	Marginal Outcomes	Good	Acceptable	Needs to Be Addressed
1. Leadership Outcomes	Positive resuits on internal leadership effectiveness (average rafing: 4.25.0) Oversightofsuccess ski planning effort(6/7 goals) 22% increase in funds for unit	Improved Bucully meetings noted as area in need of improvementon survey External leadership in campus and discipline	x		
2.Purposes & Plans Outcomes	 Significant progress on 6 of 7 goals Majority of the ulty involved in implementation of strategic plan 	 Improve progress on 1 of 7 goals including darification of responsible parties 	x		
3. Beneficiaries/ Stakeholders Outcomes	 Evidence of perceived need among students and workplace professionals Courselessions afor above the university average in 55% of courses Strong evidence of effectiveness of outreach program by prospective students Alturnis survey initiated and results used as basis for improvementand review our curriculum 	Survey results show disselfsholon with advising Survey results revertiges with introductory courses	x		
4. Programs & Services Outcomes	Three new declive courses implemented	 Curricula has notreviewed within last the years No systematic process in place for curricula review Publication and scholarly poductivity officulty does notcompare tworably with previous years or with pears geneding downward) No established tachtinglearning goads or outcome measures 			x
5. Faculty/Staff & Workplace Outcomes	 Established new faculty membring system, rated as very effective by all new faculty 	Three highly regarded faculty leftfor positions elsewhere Two unit tenure recommandations were reversed at higher level			x
6.Assessment & Info. Use Outcomes	Assessmentmeasurasindicabors were used in design of new courses Leadership officiences fieldback system was established and used to provide fieldback			x	
Compos	ite rating in Outcomes & Achievemer	nts for Unit 1	x		

	mary Chart for M	
Table III – Assessment Resul	ts and Recommendations at Division/	/College/Inst itutional Level
Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Recognize, Encourage, Consider Increasing Support	Continue, Consider Increasing Support	Continue or Discontinue, Consider Decreasing Support
Favorable Approach & Implementation Favorable Outcomes and Achievements Other Considerations:	•Acceptable Approach & Implementation •Acceptable Outcomes and Achievements Other Considerations:	Marginal Approach & Implementation Marginal Outcomes and Achievements Other Considerations:
Adequacy of internal resources Alignment with Division/College/ Institution directions and future plans	•Adequacy of internal resources •Alignment with Division/College/ Institution directions and future	 Adequacy of internal resources Alignment with Division/College/ Institution directions and future plans
1. Unit 01 2. Unit 03 3. Unit 04	1. Unit 06 2. Unit 07	1. Unit 02 2. Unit 05
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THE EVALUATION AND SCORING PROCESS

Each of the seven Excellence in Higher Education categories represents an important dimension of organizational excellence. For purposes of analysis, the EHE approach "freezes" the ongoing dynamics of an institution, department, or program and focuses on each component individually to clarify organizational strengths and identify potential areas for improvement. Figure 1 (next page) summarizes the areas the EHE program addresses under each category.

APPROACH, IMPLEMENTATION, AND OUTCOMES

Categories 1 through 6 are concerned with approach and implementation, while Category 7 focuses on results.

Approach refers to the methods and strategies your organization uses. It is evaluated based on the extent to which your organization's methods and strategies are

- effective;
- systematic;
- integrated;
- innovative;
- consistently applied;
- based on reliable information; and
- regularly evaluated and improved.

Implementation relates to the manner and extent to which the organization implements and applies its approaches. To evaluate implementation, the EHE process focuses on the extent to which approaches are

- implemented with consistency;
- implemented in all areas and work groups; and
- monitored and continually improved.

Results are also known as outcomes and achievements. The EHE process looks at the organization's

- documented outcomes and achievements;
- assessments of current performance;
- examination of improvement trends over time;
- performance indicators and measures that link to mission, vision, plans, and goals; and
- comparisons with peers, competitors and leading organizations.

FIGURE 4. CATEGORIES AND ITEMS

Institution, Department, or Program Overview

- 0.1 Mission, structure, and personnel
- 0.2 Programs, services, and constituencies
- 0.3 Peers and comparisons
- 0.4 Challenges and opportunities

1.0 Leadership

- 1.1 Organizational leadership
- 1.2 Public and professional leadership
- 1.3 Ethics and social responsibility

2.0 Purposes and Plans

- 2.1 Plan development
- 2.2 Plan implementation

3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies

- 3.1 Needs and expectations
- 3.2 Relationship enhancement

4.0 Programs and Services

- 4.1 Mission-critical programs, services, and processes
- 4.2 Operational and support services and processes

5.0 Faculty, Staff, and Workplace

- 5.1 Faculty and staff
- 5.2 Workplace

6.0 Assessment and Information Use

- 6.1 Assessment approach and methods
- 6.2 Comparative analysis
- 6.3 Information sharing and use

7.0 Outcomes and Achievements

- 7.1 Leadership
- 7.2 Purposes and plans
- 7.3 Beneficiaries and constituency groups
- 7.4 Mission-critical programs, services, and processes
- 7.5 Operational and support services and processes
- 7.6 Faculty, staff, and workplace
- 7.7 Assessment and information sharing

PERCENTAGE RATINGS

For each EHE category, the process rates approach, implementation, and/or results from 0 to 100 percent. A rating of 100 percent would be appropriate if all the criteria set forth in a particular category were fully addressed, in such a manner that the organization was "the best anywhere"—an international leader—in that particular area. At the other extreme, a 0 rating would be appropriate if the organization had not addressed any of the criteria in the category. Form A, the Percentage Rating Guide (found in the "Forms and Guides" section), provides a comprehensive description of the percentage scoring ranges and their interpretation.

Unlike the assessment scale familiar to most educators, a rating of 50 or 60 percent is not "failing" in the Excellence in Higher Education or Baldrige frameworks. Rather, as Form A illustrates, such a middle-range rating characterizes an organization with reasonably successful approaches and implementation strategies and results.

This booklet provides a rating summary form (Form B) for recording percentage ratings in each category. When your organization has completed the assessment, the result is a profile such as that illustrated in Figure 2.

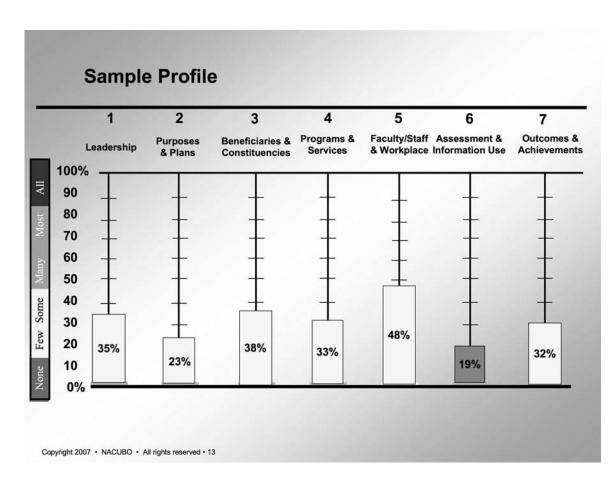
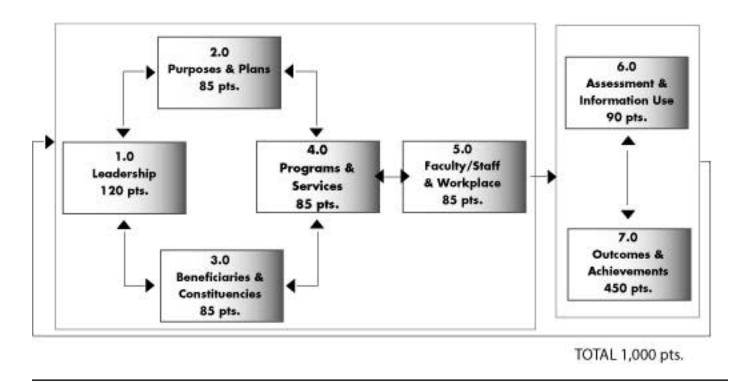


FIGURE 2. SAMPLE EHE PROFILE

CATEGORIES AND POINT VALUES

In the EHE framework, each of the seven categories has been assigned a point value, as shown in Figure 3. In all, 1,000 possible points are available to be awarded. Figure 4 shows the breakdown of point values within each category.





For each category, scoring proceeds as follows:

- 1. Determine the percentage rating that best corresponds to the extent of the approach/implementation or results for the category. (You do this typically by averaging the ratings of all the individuals participating in the assessment process.)
- 2. Multiply that average percentage (the "rating") by the point value—the weighting—for the category. For instance, if the average rating for Leadership for a particular organization were 40 percent, you would multiply that percentage by the 120 points available for the Leadership category. You would award a total of 48 points in Category 1 (.40 × 120 = 48.0).

Use Forms C to I to calculate percentage ratings and scores for each category. Use Form J to record summaries for all categories. You derive the total score for an institution, department, or program by adding the point values from all categories. Form J is provided for that purpose.

FIGURE 4. CATEGORY AND ITEM POINT VALUES

Categories and Items		Point Values*	
1.0 Leo	adership		120
1.1	Organizational Leadership	80	
1.2	Public and Professional Leadership	20	
1.3	Ethics and Social Responsibility	20	
2.0 Pu	rposes and Plans		85
2.1	Plan Development	40	
2.2	Plan Implementation	45	
3.0 Be	neficiaries and Constituencies		85
3.1	Needs and Expectations	40	
3.2	Relationship Enhancement	45	
4.0 Pro	ograms and Services		85
4.1	Mission-Critical Programs, Services and Processes	60	
4.2	Operational and Support Services and Processes	25	
5.0 Fa	culty/Staff & Workplace		85
5.1	Faculty and Staff	45	
5.2	Workplace	40	
6.0 As	sessment and Information Use		90
6.1	Assessment Approach and Methods	45	
6.2	Comparative Analysis	20	
6.3	Information Sharing and Use	25	
7.0 Ou	tcomes and Achievements		450
7.1	Leadership	55	
7.2	Purposes and Plans	35	
7.3		85	
	Programs and Services	175	
	Faculty/Staff and Workplace	65	
7.6	Assessment and Information-Sharing	35	
Total Point	s		1000

* For most self-assessment purposes, the category-level scoring provides a sufficient level of precision. In cases where additional detail is desired in self- or third-party assessment, subcategory level scoring can be used.



FORMS AND GUIDES

In this section you will find a table that describes the percentage rating system (the Percentage Rating Guide), a rating sheet, and various forms for scoring purposes, for those who want to include that activity as part of the assessment process.

FORM A. PERCENTAGE RATING GUIDE

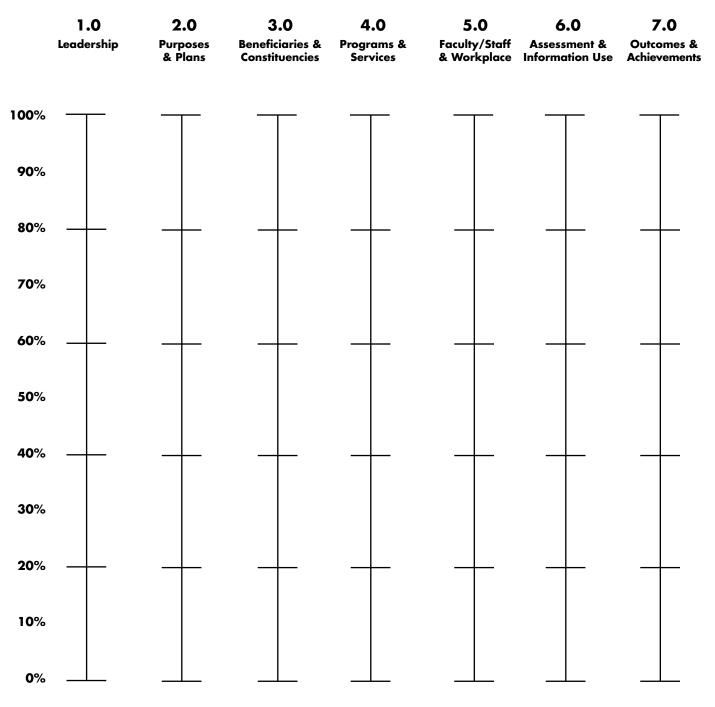
RATING	APPROACH/IMPLEMENTATION	RESULTS
100% to 90%	 A superior approach; systematically addressing all dimensions of the category/item. Fully implemented without significant weakness or gaps in any area. Widely recognized leader in the category/item. Systematic approach and commitment to excellence and continuous improvement fully ingrained in the organization and its culture. 	 Exceptional, documented, current and sustained outcomes and achievements related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information-use. Clear and documented evidence that the institution, department, or program is a leader in higher education, and more generally.
80% to 70%	 A well-developed, systematic, tested, and refined approach in most areas, addressing most dimensions of the category. A fact-based assessment and improvement process throughout most of the organization with few significant gaps. Innovative; recognized as a leader in the category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement throughout most of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented current and sustained outcomes and achievements in most areas related to leadership, purposes and plans, beneficiaries and constituencies, programs and services, faculty/staff and workplace, and measurement and information-use. Current outcomes and trends are evaluated against—and compare favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations.
60% to 50%	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to many dimensions of the category/item. The approach is well implemented in many areas, although there may be unevenness and inconsistency in particular work groups. A fact-based, systematic process in place for evaluating and improving effectiveness and efficiency in many areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in many areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements for many areas related to the various EHE categories. Many current and sustained outcomes and achievements are evaluated against—and compare favorably with—peer, competitor, and leading organizations. No pattern of poor outcomes or adverse trends in key areas.

FORM A. PERCENTAGE RATING GUIDE

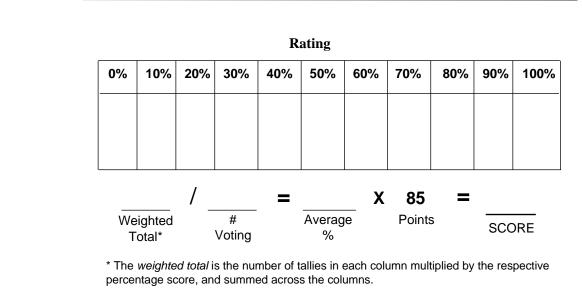
RATING	APPROACH/IMPLEMENTATION	RESULTS
40% to 30%	 An effective, systematic approach, responsive to some dimensions of the category/item. The approach is implemented in some areas, but some work units are in the early stages of implementation. A systematic approach to assessing and improving effectiveness and efficiency in some areas. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in some areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Favorable, documented, current, and sustained outcomes and achievements in some areas related to the various EHE categories. Early stages of developing trends and obtaining comparative information in some areas.
20% to 10%	 The beginning of a systematic approach to basic purposes of the category/item. Category criteria are addressed in a few programs, services, activities, and processes. Major implementation gaps exist that inhibit progress in achieving the basic purpose of category/item. Clear evidence of excellence and continuous improvement in a few areas of the organization and its culture. 	 Outcomes and achievements are documented in a few areas related to the various EHE cat- egories. Evidence of positive results and improvements in a few areas. Minimal trend or comparative information.
0%	 No systematic approach to category/items; anecdotal information on approach and implementation; not part of the culture of the organization. 	 No documented results or poor results. No documented comparisons.

FORM B. EXCELLENCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION RATING SHEET

CATEGORIES



FORM C. 3.0 BENEFICIARIES AND CONSTITUENCIES SCORING FORM

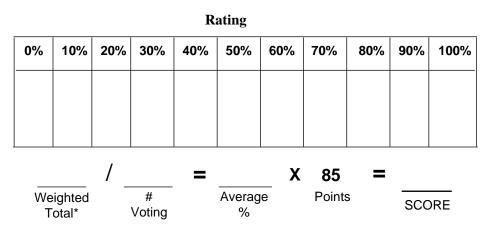


Scoring: 3.0 Beneficiaries and Constituencies (85 pts.)

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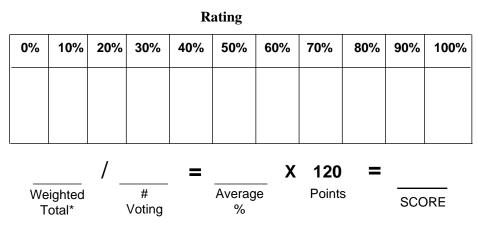
FORM D. 2.0 PURPOSES AND PLANS SCORING FORM

Scoring: 2.0 Purposes and Plans (85 pts.)



* The *weighted total* is the number of tallies in each column multiplied by the respective percentage score, and summed across the columns.

Scoring: 1.0 Leadership (120 pts.)

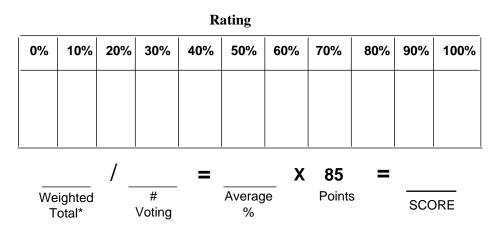


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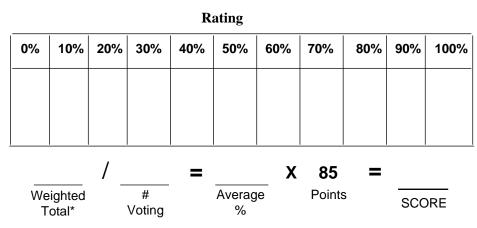
FORM F. 4.0 PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SCORING FORM

Scoring: 4.0 Programs and Services (85 pts.)



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Scoring: 5.0 Faculty/Staff and Workplace (85 pts.)

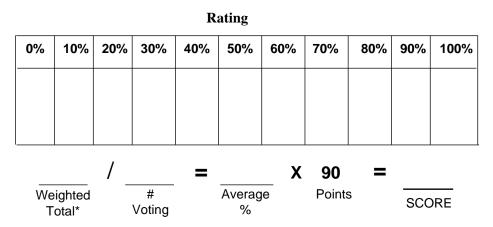


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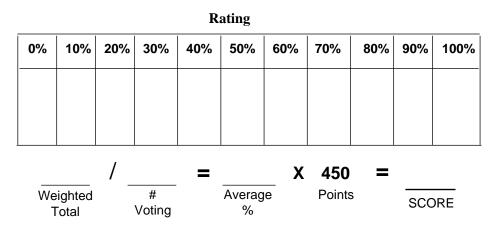
FORM H. 6.0 ASSESSMENT AND INFORMATION USE SCORING FORM

Scoring— 6.0 Assessment and Information Use (90 pts.)



* The *weighted total* is the number of tallies in each column multiplied by the respective percentage score, and summed across the columns.

Scoring— 7.0 Outcomes and Achievements (450 pts.)



^{*} The weighted total is the number of tallies in each column multiplied by the respective percentage score, and summed across the columns.

FORM I. 7.0 OUTCOMES AND ACHIEVEMENTS SCORING FORM

CATEGORIES AND ITEMS	Maximum Points	PERCENT ACHIEVED	ITEM SCORE	CATEGORY SCORE
1.0 Leadership				
1.1 Organizational Leadership	80			
1.2 Public and Professional Leadership	20			
1.3 Ethics and Social Responsibility	20			
Category Total	120			
2.0 Strategic Planning				
2.1 Plan Development	40			
2.2 Plan Implementation	45			
Category Total	85			
3.0 Benficiaries and Constituencies				
3.1 Needs and Expectations	40			
3.2 Relationship Enhancement	45			
Category Total	85			
4.0 Programs and Services				
4.1 Mission-Critical Programs, Services,	,			
and Processes	60			
4.2 Operational and Support Services				
and Processes	25			
Category Total	85			
5.0 Faculty/Staff and Workplace Foc	US			
5.1 Faculty and Staff	45			
5.2 Workplace	40			
Category Total	85			
6.0 Assessment and Information Use				
6.1 Assessment Approach and Methods	s 45			
6.2 Comparative Analysis	20			
6.3 Information Sharing and Use	25			
Category Total	90			
7.0 Outcomes and Achievements				
7.1 Leadership	55			
7.2 Strategic Planning	35			
7.3 Beneficiaries and Constituencies	85			
7.4 Programs and Services	175			
7.5 Faculty, Staff, and Workplace	65		_	
7.6 Assessment and Information Use	35			
Category Total	450			
OVERALL TOTAL	1,000			