ASSESSMENT INSTITUTE



CURRICULUM

Use a specific layer of assessment to guide each session. Depending on the institution, these may include **student**, **classroom**, **course**, **program**, **general education**, **co-curricular**, **degree**, **or institutional** assessments.

Within each session, cover topics from the following as applicable:

History

Describe the institutional culture and background.

• Literature

Supplement the assigned reading with the perspectives from authors on the leading edge of assessment.

• Policies, Procedures, Processes

Ensure awareness but do not tarry here. Copies should be placed in a **binder** for easy reference.

Unity > Uniformity

• Reports

Review current reports and show best practices. Copies should be placed in a **binder** for easy reference.

Application

Spend most of the time here. Keep the focus on the practical application of assessment





HOMEWORK

Between sessions, participants will read the respective content in their textbook, complete a task or project, and prepare a response to a discussion question.

Projects:

- Write a rubric to judge a baking competition.
- Explain the benefits of assessment to another faculty member.
- Develop a learning outcome for a new Advanced Hand-Clapping Club.
- Keep a journal next to the teaching station and after class reflect on what worked and what adjustments could be made the next time the course it taught.
- Share student-teacher evaluations from another term with students and have a constructive conversation with them about it.

Discussions:

- What is your favorite lesson to teach and why?
- What do you know about assessment right now?
- Does the benefit of assessment get lost in the noise?
- What type of recognition do you find meaningful?
- How do you decide, incorporate, and measure rigor in your courses?
- Who was your favorite teacher growing up and why?

Textbook:

Find a textbook that mirrors the institution or at least an aspirational version of it.

There is an innate benefit to having a physical textbook to hold, the feel, the smell, and the permission to write in the margins cannot be replicated.



