Colorado State University – Pueblo Academic Program Assessment Report for AY 2012-2013

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Please complete this form for <u>each undergraduate, minor, certificate, and graduate program</u> (e.g., B.A., B.S., M.S.) in your department. Please copy any addenda (e.g., rubrics) and paste them in this document, and return it to Erin Frew, <u>erin.frew@colostate-pueblo.edu</u> as an email attachment before June 1, 2013. You'll also find the form at the assessment website at http://www.colostate-pueblo.edu/Assessment/Resources/Pages/default.aspx. Thank you.

I. Program student learning outcomes (SLOs) assessed in this cycle, processes, results, and recommendations.

A. Which of the	B. When	C. What	D. Who was	E. What is	F. What were	G. What were the	H. What
program SLOs	was this	method was	assessed?	the	the results of	department's	changes/improvements
were assessed	SLO last	used for	Please fully	expected	the	conclusions about	to the <u>program</u> are
during this	assessed?	assessing the	describe the	achievement	assessment?	student	planned based on this
cycle? Please		SLO? Please	student	level and		performance?	assessment?
include the		include a copy	group.	how many			
outcome(s)		of any rubrics		students			
verbatim from		used in the		should be at			
the assessment		assessment		it?			
plan.		process.					
		(Attached)					
Apply industrial	May 2013	Methods:EN	Eight (8)	80% or more	In the	Since 88% of the	No changes to the
engineering		577 Project	MSISE	of the	research	students	program are planned at
knowledge in		Reports &	graduate	students	project	performed well	this time due to this SLO
facility design,		Exit Interviews	students	should meet	report,	we conclude that	as we are adjusting to the
operations		Rubrics: Design	were	or exceed	composed of	the goal was met.	new assessment plan.
planning,		Strategy,	enrolled in	expectations	a literature		
operations		Solutions, and	Spring 2013.		review, a	The 12% of the	A more precise

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research, and simulation		Tools	Tue MOISE	000/	detailed review and the replication and expansion of a current topic on IE, 88% of the students in EN 577 were able to demonstrate their knowledge on IE when dealing with current problems. Exit interviews are generally positive and indicative of learning for this SLO.	students that struggled came from different engineering backgrounds. We are satisfied that a current comprehensive project was successfully completed by students.	assessment description (based on rubrics) seems to be needed. We will address indirect methods metrics for possible redesign to better fit the SLO's.
Apply Ma engineering principles in the design and analysis of a system or	,	Methods: EN 575 Project Reports & Exit Interviews Rubrics: Design Strategy and	Two MSISE graduate students who were enrolled in Fall 2012	80% or more of the students should meet or exceed expectations	100% of the students in EN 575 were able to solve complicated problems on	All students (100%) performed well. However, no firm conclusions could be reached due to small	Encourage the instructor to continue using real world projects.

meet specified needs Communicate	May 2012	Variables Methods:	Turches (12)	80% or more	layout and location by using optimization and continuous improvement. Exit interviews are generally positive and indicative of learning for this SLO.	The goal of 909/	Effective communication
effectively in	May 2013.	Paper	Twelve (12) first year	of the	EN 593 wrote	The goal of 80% minimum was	rubrics will be
writing and		Evaluation in	MSISE	students	papers about	met.	disseminated to the
orally.		EN 593 and		should meet		met.	students.
Orally.		Presentation	graduate students who	or exceed	a potential thesis topic.	Course specific	students.
		Evaluation	were	expectations	10 out 12 or	student surveys	We will make sure that
		both in EN 520	enrolled in	expectations	83% met and	were not done in	paper and presentation
		and EN 593 &	EN 593 (fall		exceeded the	EN 593 because	evaluations are done with
		Student	2012) and 11		expectation	the current plan	strict adherence to all
		Surveys.	MSISE		for this SLO.	was developed in	components of this
		Rubrics:	graduate		In EN 520, all	Spring semester.	rubric.
		written:	students who		11 students	Surveys were also	1 4 5 1 6 1
		Articulation,	were		met and	not done in EN	
		organization,	enrolled in		exceeded the	520 because there	Also, we will ensure that
		neatness,	EN 520 in		expectation	was little time to	course specific surveys
		grammar and	Spring 2013		for the paper	plan for them.	are developed and
		spelling,			presentation.	,	administered in the
		writing style,			Students in		future.
		document			EN 520 wrote		

formatting	and	
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Oral:	presented a	
Delivery, length	research	
and detail,	project	
mechanics,	composed of	
dialect, visual	a literature	
aides,	review, a	
appearance,	detailed	
and listening	analysis and	
and response	the	
to questions	replication	
	and	
	expansion of	
	a current	
	problem on IE	
	solved by	
	using	
	simulation.	
	Student	
	surveys were	
	not done this	
	year.	

Comments:

B. Follow-up (closing the loop) on results and activities from previous assessment cycles. In this section, please describe actions taken during this cycle that were based on, or implemented to address, the results of assessment from previous cycles.

None- because last year's plan was not specific for certain courses and was very different than the current plan.

A. What SLO(s)	B. When was this	C. What were the	D. Were the	E. What were the results of the
did you address?	SLO last assessed?	recommendations for change	recommendations for	changes? If the changes were not
Please include		from the previous	change acted upon? If not,	effective, what are the next steps or
the outcome(s)		assessment?	why?	the new recommendations?
verbatim from				
the assessment				
plan.				
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Comments:

Assessment Rubrics

Apply industrial engineering knowledge in facility design, operations planning, operations research, and simulation

	Exceeds expectations 5%	Meets expectations 75%	Does not meet expectations 20%
Design Strategy	Develops a design strategy, including a plan; decomposes work into subtasks, and develops a timetable.	Uses a design strategy with guidance.	No design strategy is attempted.
Solutions	Develops several potential designs and based on the analysis of those designs finds an optimal design solution using the system view approach.	Can develop and compare multiple solutions to a problem, but does not usually arrive at the best result; conducts optimization but neglects one or two key aspects. Does not use the system view approach.	Cannot design a system or individual component without significant amount of help. Only focuses on one solution to a problem; no optimization attempted.
Tools	Uses computer tools (e.g., LINDO, ARENA, MATLAB, @RISK, PLANTOP) effectively.	There is evidence of mostly correct use of computer tools and engineering resources	There is no evidence of use of computer tools and engineering resources.

Apply engineering principles in the design and analysis of a system or process to meet specified needs

	Exceeds expectations 5%	Meets expectations 75%	Does not meet expectations 20%
Design Strategy	Develops a design strategy, including a plan; decomposes work into subtasks, and develops a timetable.	Uses a design strategy with guidance.	No design strategy is attempted.
Constraints & Variables	Develops a solution that includes realistic constraints and stochastic variables when necessary	Develops a deterministic solution only that fails to include one or more minor realistic constraints and potential randomness in data.	There is no consideration of realistic constraints.

Communicate effectively in written form

	Exceeds expectations 5%	Meets expectations 75%	Does not meet expectations 20%
Articulation	Articulates ideas clearly and concisely using visual aids where appropriate.	Articulates ideas, but the idea flow is somewhat disjointed. Does not always use visual aids appropriately (e.g. a table and a graph representing the same information are used; a figure is not addressed in the narrative).	Does not develop/articulate Ideas well. Makes points that are hard to understand. Does not use visual aids.
Organization	Organizes the material in a logical sequence (paragraphs, subheading, etc.).	In general, organizes the material well, however, occasionally paragraphs combine multiple thoughts; sections and sub-sections are not identified clearly.	Imposes little or no structure or organization; does not use subheadings or proper paragraph structure.
Neatness	Presents material neatly and professionally	Occasionally, does not present material neatly.	Does not present material neatly.
Grammar and Spelling	Uses grammar and spelling correctly.	Makes one or two spelling/grammar errors per page.	Makes spelling/grammar errors throughout more than 1/3 of the paper.
Writing Style	Uses professional writing style.	Sometimes uses jargon, improper voice, improper tense, inappropriate style, etc.	Uses inappropriate writing style for the audience and for the assignment.
Document Formatting	Conforms to the prescribed format.	Conforms to the prescribed format in many portions of the assignment.	Does not follow the prescribed format.

Communicate effectively in oral form

	Exceeds expectations 5%	Meets expectations 75%	Does not meet expectations 20%
Delivery	Plans and delivers an oral presentation effectively; applies the principle of "tell them."	Presents key elements of an oral presentation adequately, but does not apply "tell them" clearly.	Organizes the presentation poorly (e.g. no clear introduction or summary is delivered).
Length and Detail	Presents technical content appropriate for the time allowed and the audience level.	Presents excessive or insufficient detail for time allowed and/or the audience level.	Presents for an inappropriately short or long time period; omits key results during presentation.
Mechanics	Makes eye contact; can be easily heard; speaks comfortably with minimal prompts; does not block the screen; doesn't show any distracting habits.	Exhibits minor difficulties (e.g. makes sporadic eye contact; occasionally is difficult to hear or understand; overuses prompts or does not use prompts enough; occasionally stumbles or loses place; occasionally blocks screen; occasionally exhibits some distracting habits (um, ah, clicking pointer, etc.)).	Exhibits major difficulties with the presentation (e.g. makes no eye contact; is difficult to hear or understand; reads from prepared script; blocks the screen; exhibits distracting habits (um, ah, clicking pointer, etc.)).
Dialect	Uses proper American English.	Occasionally uses an inappropriate style of English-too conversational; uses understandable English.	Uses poor English and/or poor pronunciation.
Visual Aides	Uses visual aides effectively.	Presents visual aides that have minor errors or are not always clearly visible.	Presents multiple slides that are unclear or incomprehensible.
Appearance	Exhibits professional appearance.	Appears too casual for a professional presentation.	Appears inappropriately dressed for the occasion (e.g. wears shorts, sandals, etc.)
Listening and Response to Questions	Listens carefully and responds to questions appropriately; is able to explain and interpret results for various audiences and purposes.	Sometimes misunderstands questions; does not respond appropriately to the audience, or has some trouble answering questions.	Does not listen carefully to questions; does not provide appropriate answers, or is unable to answer questions about the presentation material.

Sample MSISE Exit Interview

Name: xxxxx xxxxxx

Date: 04/14/2013

How did you hear about the MSISE at CSU-Pueblo?

Brochures in the College of Engineering at CSU (Fort Collins) and via the CSU-Pueblo website

What other schools and/or degrees did you consider?

Masters of Science in Engineering (different disciplines) from CSU (Fort Collins), UCCS, CU (Denver & Boulder), Mines, and MIT

What could be done to make the MSISE Program at CSU-Pueblo more attractive to potential students in the same circumstance you were when you began?

Information sent to graduating engineers and natural science majors in Colorado colleges possibly, or a better presence at graduate school/career fairs in Colorado colleges

How was the experience of being a new (International) MSISE student?

Very good

What do you think of the degree and education you received at CSU-Pueblo?

Challenging yet very rewarding

What are your future plans?

Working in the transportation industry, putting the skills learned to work as an engineer

How do you feel your degree and education have prepared you for your intended career?

I felt very prepared, for the most part, going into the field I have chosen

How do you feel that your education could have been improved?

Offering certain courses more than on a rotating basis; I would have liked to take reliability prior to graduating and it would have been useful in the field I entered upon graduation

Any suggestions for changes in the program

Refer to question above. Aside from that, maybe provide some type of funding to student to help offset costs of printing theses; for a lengthy thesis, costs are between \$200 and \$300 (for color on 25% cotton-content paper) wherever you choose to go in town, including the CSU-Pueblo Bookstore. One possibility may be to offer aid for printing copies for the department, library, and thesis committee, and then any printing after that would fall on the student.

What's the worst thing that happened to you since you got here?

Not being able to take certain classes I would have like to due to the rotating schedule of Special Topic classes or not being offered more regularly