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# ASSESSMENT QUARTERLY

UT Knoxville's Assessment Steering Committee Quarterly Newsletter



## Program Assessment Reports due September 15th

Program assessment reports for the 2021-2022 academic year should be finalized in the Anthology (formerly Campus Labs) [Planning module](#) by September 15th. Reports are promptly distributed to reviewers for scoring and feedback, so please mark your calendars for this deadline!

Remember to review the feedback provided for 2020-2021 reports for guidance on areas for improvement.

The Assessment Steering Committee at UT Knoxville has also collected reports from colleges across the university to serve as exemplars for program assessment report writers. Exemplar program assessment reports from the 2020-2021 academic year are [available on SharePoint](#).

For assistance accessing the Planning module, please contact Ashley Browning ([ashleyb@tennessee.edu](mailto:ashleyb@tennessee.edu)).

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### Still stuck?

Other resources are also available at

<https://oira.utk.edu/assessment-planning-and-resources/>

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# Assistance with Writing & Submitting Program Assessment Reports

The Assessment Steering Committee will host a series of drop-in hours to assist in finalizing the 2021-2022 programmatic assessment reports. Dates, times, and Zoom links are below. Participants are welcome to pop in as their schedules allow, ask questions about writing reports or navigating the Planning Module, and depart.

Wednesday, August 31st, 2pm to 4pm: <https://tennessee.zoom.us/j/99366337511>

Wednesday, September 7th, 10am to 12pm: <https://tennessee.zoom.us/j/93569661462>

Thursday, September 8th, 2pm to 4pm: <https://tennessee.zoom.us/j/94364311162>

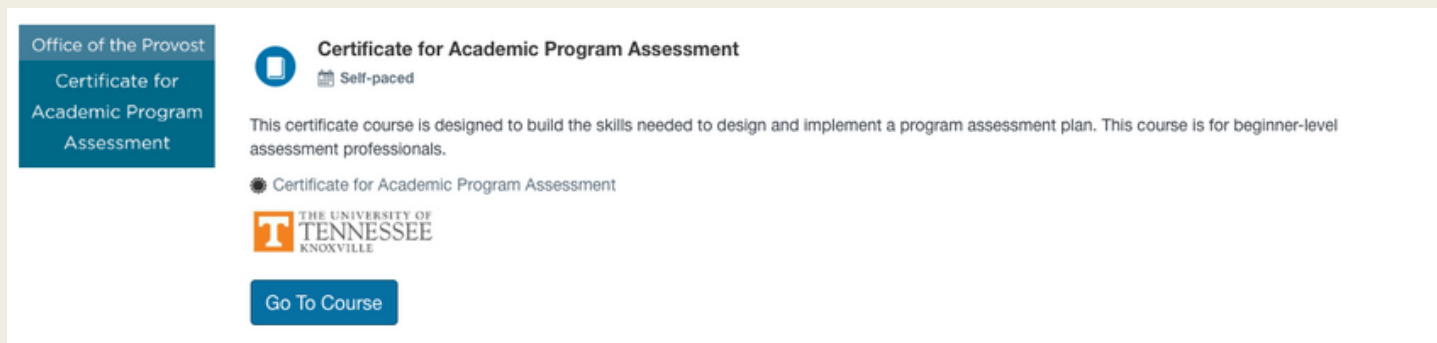
Tuesday, September 13th, 10am to 12pm: <https://tennessee.zoom.us/j/94870803017>

Need help but can't make these dates? Please contact Ashley Charsha ([acharsha@utk.edu](mailto:acharsha@utk.edu)).

## Canvas Catalog Certificate for Program Assessment Course

A self-paced certificate course for assessment professionals is now available to UT Knoxville! Delivered through Canvas Catalog, the certificate is now open for enrollment. This certificate is designed for individuals interested in enhancing their skills or beginning their journey in program assessment.

To enroll in and complete this certificate, please click on the image below.



The screenshot shows a course card for the 'Certificate for Academic Program Assessment'. On the left, a blue box contains the text 'Office of the Provost' and 'Certificate for Academic Program Assessment'. To the right, the course title 'Certificate for Academic Program Assessment' is displayed with a 'Self-paced' icon. Below the title, a description states: 'This certificate course is designed to build the skills needed to design and implement a program assessment plan. This course is for beginner-level assessment professionals.' The University of Tennessee Knoxville logo is visible, along with a 'Go To Course' button.

Questions or concerns? Please contact Ashley Browning ([ashleyb@tennessee.edu](mailto:ashleyb@tennessee.edu)).

# Feedback Form Changes for 2021-2022 Reporting

The Assessment Steering Committee at UT Knoxville has enhanced the Feedback Form received by programs upon completion of the feedback process. Beginning this assessment cycle, report writers (those listed as Responsible User or Assessment Team Members for the report) will be required to complete the Acknowledgment of Receipt of Feedback.

## Acknowledgement of Receipt of Feedback

*By selecting one of the options below, you are acknowledging the receipt of feedback from the Assessment Steering Committee (ASC). By choosing "Feedback acknowledged; Consultation requested" a member of the ASC will contact the responsible user for the program report for assistance with seeking student learning improvement through the program assessment report.*

- Feedback acknowledged; No assistance needed
- Feedback acknowledged; Consultation requested

Report writers will be notified that Feedback Forms are available for acknowledgment in early December via the UTASSESS listserv. If programs have requested a consultation, Assessment Steering Committee members would then be in touch to schedule a meeting.

To be added to the UTASSESS listserv, please contact Ashley Browning ([ashleyb@tennessee.edu](mailto:ashleyb@tennessee.edu)).



Interested in serving as a reviewer for the 2021-2022 program assessment reports?

Assessment Day 2022 will be held virtually September 21-22, 2022. A call for reviewers has been sent to college associate deans. If you are interested in this opportunity, please be in communication with them to discuss expectations and other details.

Questions? Please contact [assessment@utk.edu](mailto:assessment@utk.edu).

# Professional Development & Networking Opportunities

To access a free collection of open-access resources introducing the basics of assessing student learning, please visit [tiny.utk.edu/GettingStarted](http://tiny.utk.edu/GettingStarted).

James Madison University has launched a [free resource page](#) using a taxonomy of assessment knowledge, skills, and attitudes described in the recently developed Assessment Skills Framework.



The Assessment Steering Committee at UT Knoxville is pleased to announce the renewal of an Unlimited Institutional Membership to the Associate for the [Assessment of Learning in Higher Education \(AALHE\)](#).

AALHE's mission is to develop and support a community of educators and inform assessment practices in higher education to foster and improve student learning and institutional quality. As a member of AALHE, you have access to a wealth of resources that will help you as an assessment professional, including networking opportunities, recorded webinars, community forums, and more.

To create an individual profile and begin taking advantage of this membership, please contact Ashley Browning ([ashleyb@tennessee.edu](mailto:ashleyb@tennessee.edu)).

## Assessment Update Available Through UT Knoxville Libraries

Assessment Update, an award-winning bi-monthly publication from Wiley, is committed to sharing emerging and enduring developments, practices, and thought leadership in the dynamic and continually evolving field of higher education assessment and improvement.

[Assessment Update](#) can be accessed as an online journal using One Search on the UT Knoxville Libraries website. Simply search "Assessment Update" and select "Browse this Journal" on the first search result to read articles from 1989 to now!