Rationale for Current Assessments

Assessment 1 of 1

Goal / Project

Outcome(s)
Demonstrate an understanding of the basic theories related to why people break the law (such as environment, poverty, child abuse, etc.)

Standard / Objective
70% of students will score at least a pass (75%) on course-embedded questions related to their understanding of theoretical causes of criminality.

Method of assessment
Course Embedded Paper(s)/Projects

Comment/Details about the method of assessment
Students were provided embedded questions throughout the course related to why we commit crimes/delinquency and how we may prevent it. Each question was placed within quizzes and exams throughout the course in varying methods (true/false, multiple choice, and short answer). The student was considered to have passed the assessment if they completed each of the linked questions at a rate of at least 70%.

Courses Affected
The Juvenile Offender (CJ250)

Time Frame
Fall 2021-Winter 2022

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Result
(3) Results exceeded expectation/standard

Data Collection (general or specific stats regarding results)
"The CJ250 Juvenile Justice course was chosen as it indicates a “mastery” level for the noted outcome and is required by all students within the majors. A total sample size of 72 participants was utilized from four
courses of CJ250. Of those, 3 Corrections majors. The sample represented 8% of the total Corrections program [Total enrollment for Corrections AAA is 40]. Of those sampled, 3/3 (100%) passed. The average pass-rate between the three CJ250 courses assessed on this assignment was 86.11%. The results exceed the 75% threshold for this outcome. Each individual CJ250 total class average mirrors the pass rate of this outcome’s measure, lending validity to the assessment model.

**What We Learned (areas for improvements, strengths, etc.)**
The data appears to show the program is not only meeting, but exceeding standards for this chosen objective with the vast majority of students able to demonstrate an understanding of the basic theories related to why people break the law. Based on prior assessment of this outcome, the average pass-rate between all programs was 87.6%. Given the pass rate of these two programs, as well as the Law Enforcement program pass rate of 76.92% and Law Enforcement with Basic Police Training program pass rate of 90.91%, the average across all program majors this year is an 85.18%, showing stability throughout these programs and the criminal justice discipline as a whole.

**Use of Data to Improve Student Success**
We will not make programatic adjustment in this area since the program outcomes appear to be met and/or exceeded.

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| Update course content                |
| Update course outcomes               |
| Update prior courses                 |
| Other                                 |

**Comments and Action Plan**

**Discipline/Program Comments**
We are pleased the program appears to be exceeding the program outcome expectations in relation to applying professional standards of writing.

**Advisory Board Comments**

**Assessment Committee Comments**

**Curriculum Council Comments**

**Action Plan**
No changes to me made, based on above satisfactory progress of student outcome achievement with the program.

**Actions Taken in Response to Older Reports**