

Higher Learning Commission
The Academy for Assessment of Student Learning
Academy Application
2014-15

South Dakota State University	Brookings, South Dakota	3-19-15
Name of Institution	City, State	Application Date

Preferred Point of Entry to the Academy: June 2015
Request for Academy participation: Open Pathway Quality Initiative

Recent Efforts

1. What is your assessment story _ Evaluate your past and present efforts.
In response to the South Dakota Board of Regents (SDBOR) assessment initiative launched in 1985, SDSU created the Office of Academic Evaluation and Testing with a full-time coordinator. The University also established a university level academic assessment committee composed primarily of faculty. As a result of the work of the coordinator, the committee, faculty, department and college academic administrators, by 1991, all undergraduate programs had an approved assessment plan in place based on measurable student learning outcomes. The focus on graduate program assessment plans began in 1993 and continues in all programs.

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will be housed in the new office. In addition, a new SDSU Academic Testing Office will be launched during summer 2015, and a search is underway for the manager of this unit. These changes result in the decoupling of the assessment and testing functions carried out by the current O024 Tc[(ew)] TJ ET BT 1o0 1 228.53 658.06 Tm [(t)] TJ ET BT 14

4. What are your goals for the Academy participation? What do you think will be your focus during the Academy (e.g. projects, initiatives, activities, work)?

The goals for SD

Support of the President, Provost and Deans as evidenced by:

- o Establishment of the Office of Planning, Decision Support and Assessment. While SDSU has had an Assessment and Evaluation office since 1985, the establishment of the new office will afford access to more resources,

increase their effectiveness as teachers and advisors by providing quantitative and qualitative data to inform change.

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Academy Application Affirmation

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