Title: Assessment of UNM Core Curriculum

Office of Origin: Office of Assessment

Description: Information from the Office of Assessment’s website on the ongoing, cyclical assessment of the university’s core curriculum.
UNM Core Curriculum / General Education Program

The New Mexico Higher Education Department (NMHEP) has enacted two areas of Higher Education Core Curriculum (HECC) that must be satisfied at any degree-granting institution. The HECC (29 credits) must be completed on or before the student's degree is awarded. To the area of New Mexico Higher Education Core Curriculum (HECC), 29 credits must be completed on or before the student's degree is awarded. The HECC includes a minimum of 12 credits in the humanities, 8 credits in the social sciences, 4 credits in the natural sciences, and 5 credits in the behavioral sciences.

UNM Core Curriculum/General Education Program Course

The UNM Core Curriculum/General Education Program (HECC) is designed to provide students with a broad, liberal education, including courses in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and behavioral sciences. The HECC is intended to be completed by the end of the first year of study at UNM.

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UNM Core Curriculum/General Education Program 6 Steps of an Assessment Cycle

1. Define the purpose of the assessment.
2. Identify the assessment criteria.
3. Develop the assessment tools.
4. Administer the assessment tools.
5. Analyze the assessment results.
6. Implement the assessment recommendations.

UNM Annual Center for Educational Programs Comprehensive Assessment Report

The purpose of the comprehensive assessment report is to provide a summary of the student learning outcomes for each program. The report also includes a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of the assessment process and recommendations for improvement. The report is intended to be used as a tool for self-assessment and continuous improvement.