Building Assessment Functions into LMS for Efficient and Sustainable Accreditation Processes

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Good Program Assessment Takes Lots of Work ...

- Collect student work for course journals and portfolios
- Conduct surveys of the constituencies
- Develop and evaluate rubrics
- Analyze, document, and present various assessment data



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ABET Criterion 4 Continuous Improvement

"The program must regularly use appropriate, documented processes for assessing and evaluating the extent to which the student outcomes are being attained. The results of these evaluations must be systematically utilized as input for the continuous improvement of the program."

Program Assessment Systems (PAS) To The Rescue?

- Commercial PAS
 - Taskstream
 - LiveText
 - AEFIS
- Homegrown PAS
 - ABET Symposium 2015
 - [Ferri and Whiteman], [Aly]
 - [Ayers, Fontecchio, and Imhoff]

How About Learning Management Systems (LMS)?

- Blackboard
- Moodle
- Canvas

CSNS = LMS + PAS

- CSNetworks Services (CSNS)
- Started in 2006 for homework submission
- A web-base, open-source software system for learning management, program assessment, student administration and advisement

CSNS Architecture

Departments Personnel Program Course Section **Project** Learning Student General Program Management Administration Assessment Tools Survey Dashboard Roster Grade Forum Site Standing Outcome Advisement News Assignment Measure Submission Wiki Rubric **Mailing List** Attendance Journal **MFT** File Manager **Core Services**

File

Resource

Group

User

Role

Security

Subscription

CSNS Demo

YouTube video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s7
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Program Assessment Dashboard

Program Assessment

Computer Science Undergraduate Program

Vision Statement

Mission Statement

Educational Objectives

Student Outcomes

Documents and Reports

Other Assessment Artifacts

Vision Statement

To be a pre-eminent computer science program that prepares students from diverse backgrou productive careers by providing them with a student-centered, practically-focused quality learni experience.

Mission Statement

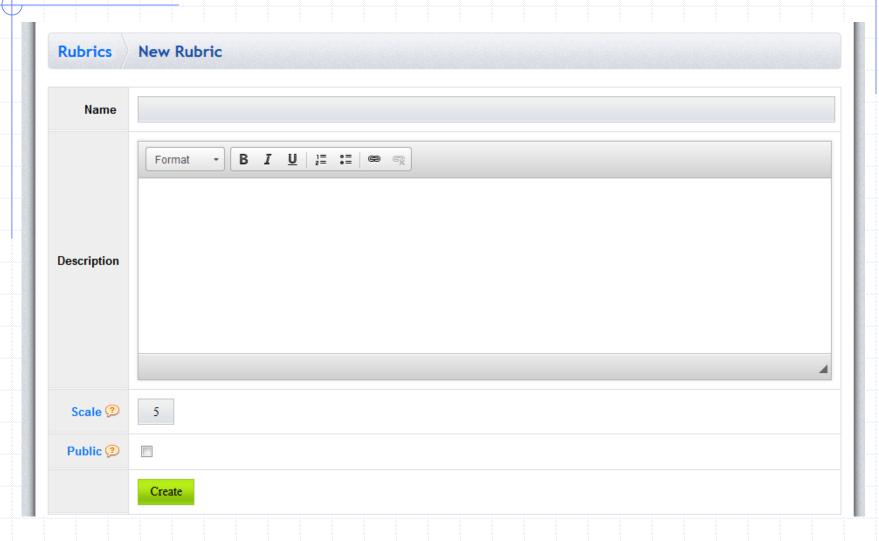
To graduate well educated computer scientists who are prepared to meet the challenges of a rechanging, increasingly complex world. This will be accomplished through:

- A well-qualified faculty who care about students and their success.
- . A dynamic, up-to-date curriculum that has an optimal balance between theory and practice
- Laboratories, computer facilities, and instructional classrooms on par with any computer sc program in the nation.
- Unique co-curricular opportunities for students such as participation in student design comprofessional student organizations, and pre-professional employment.
- Opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students to participate in research and indudesign clinic projects.
- Mutually beneficial partnerships with area industry that take advantage of our location in or

Rubric Functions

- Rubrics management
- Rubrics evaluation
- Result aggregation and display

Create A Rubric



Rubric Assignment

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Name	Rubric: Ethics in the Computer Age
Rubric	Ethics in the Computer Age ▼
Evaluators	✓ Instructors ✓ Students
External Evaluators 🤥	
Publish Date 🤥	
Due Date 🤥	04/13/2016 23:59:59
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Rubric Evaluation

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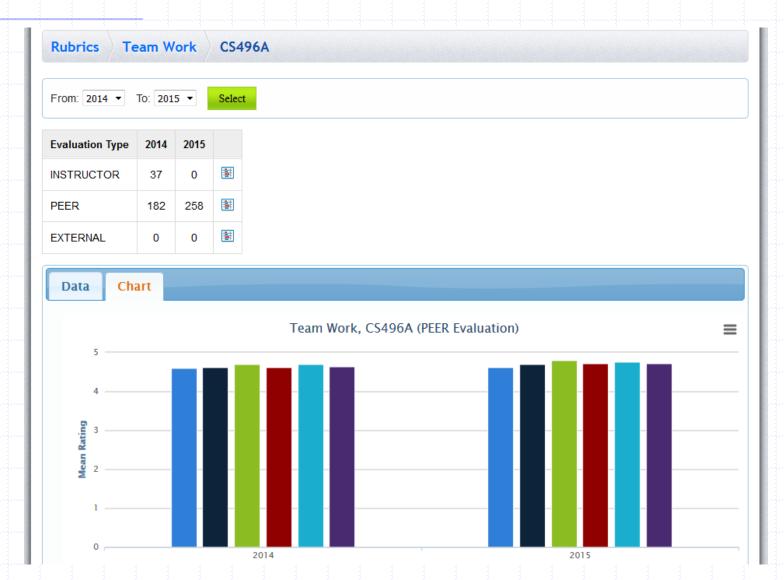
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Evaluate

Ethics in the Computer Age

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Rubric Evaluation Results



The CSNS Advantages

- ◆LMS + PAS
- Automate many mundane and tedious tasks in assessment
- Promote the right way to do assessment
- Built by faculty and for faculty
- Open-Source

More Information about CSNS

- CSNS http://csns.calstatela.edu/
- ◆Source code https://github.com/cysun/csns2