The 2006 Assessment Institute

The Westin Indianapolis
Indianapolis, Indiana
October 29-31, 2006

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STATEMENT OF MISSION
The Assessment Institute in Indianapolis is the nation’s oldest and largest event focused exclusively on Outcomes Assessment in Higher Education and is designed to provide opportunities for:

- individuals and campus teams new to outcomes assessment to acquire foundation knowledge about the field,
- individuals who have worked as leaders in outcomes assessment to extend their knowledge and skills,
- those interested in outcomes assessment at any level to establish networks that serve as sources of support and expertise beyond the dates of the Institute.

How to plan your Institute experience
The Institute is designed to introduce you to innovations in assessment that you can use. You may choose concurrent workshops that provide a more in-depth perspective on a particular topic or the Best Practices Presentations to gather ideas about specific instruments or techniques. Be sure to make some time for networking and enjoying the city of Indianapolis.

What you’ll learn at the Institute
You will learn about new techniques, approaches, and ideas in a variety of outcomes assessment areas, including general education and major fields as well as civic engagement, student development, and electronic portfolios, each of which has its own track throughout the schedule. Several sessions are designed for beginners and others are for the more experienced practitioner.

Who should attend the Assessment Institute
Faculty, student affairs professionals, and administrators who have an interest in or responsibility for assessment should attend. Maximize the benefit of the Institute for your institution by bringing a campus team.

Track Keynotes and Workshops
Emphasizing assessment in:

- Civic Engagement – Keynote
  Barbara A. Holland, Director of the National Service-Learning Clearinghouse
  Kathleen Blake Yancey, Kellogg W. Hunt Professor of English; Director of the Graduate Program in Rhetoric and Composition at Florida State University; and Co-chair, the National Coalition for Electronic Portfolio Research
  George D. Kuh, Chancellor’s Professor of Higher Education and Director, Center for Postsecondary Research, Indiana University

- Student Development and Diversity – Keynote
  Betsy O. Barefoot, Co-Director and Senior Scholar for the Policy Center on the First Year of College, Brevard, NC
  Jeffrey A. Seybert, Director, Research, Evaluation and Institutional Development, Johnson County (KS) Community College
Pre-Institute Workshops
Pre-Institute workshops are optional in-depth sessions offered on Sunday, October 29 for an additional fee. If you plan to attend a Pre-Institute workshop, refer to the descriptions below as you make your selections on the registration form.

Track Keynotes & Related Workshops
Keynote sessions feature leaders in assessment of Civic Engagement, ePortfolios, Faculty Development, First-Year Experience, and Student Development and Diversity.

Other Concurrent Workshops
Concurrent 75-minute interactive workshops will provide access to experts in all the tracks listed above plus Accreditation, Major Fields, Assessment Methods, Community Colleges, and General Education.

Best Practices Presentations
Some fifty 30-minute presentations will focus on specific processes, methods, or initiatives. These presentations draw from all Institute tracks.

Poster Sessions
Assessment methods, practices, and findings that are best shared in a visual format and one-on-one discussion are presented during the poster sessions.

Pre-Institute Workshops — Sunday, October 29
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Sunday, October 29
9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
See workshop descriptions on next page

Monday, October 30
7:30 a.m.
Registration and Continental Breakfast
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Opening Plenary Panel: Thomas A. Angelo, Trudy W. Banta, Peter T. Ewell, George D. Kuh, and Jeffrey A. Seybert
10:15 – 11:15 a.m.
• Track Keynote Sessions: First-Year Experience, ePortfolio, Civic Engagement, Faculty Development, and Student Development and Diversity
• Best Practices Presentations
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Institute Luncheon
12:45 – 2:45 p.m.
• Concurrent Workshops - All Tracks
• Best Practices Presentations
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Closing Panel Discussion

Tuesday, October 31
7:30 a.m.
Continental Breakfast
9:00 – 10:15 a.m.
• Concurrent Workshops - All Tracks
• Best Practices Presentations
10:30 a.m. - NOON
• Concurrent Workshops: Angelo, Banta, Ewell, Kuh, and Seybert
• Best Practices Presentations
NOON – 1:30 p.m.
Lunch on your own in Indianapolis
1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
• Concurrent Workshops - All Tracks
• Best Practices Presentations
3:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Closing Panel Discussion

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IUPUI

Founded in 1969 as a partnership by and between Indiana and Purdue Universities, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis is an urban research university with a growing reputation for innovation. We offer more than 200 degree programs - from associate to doctoral and professional - and IUPUI is 7th nationally in the number of health-related degrees and 15th in the number of graduate professional degrees granted. Nearly 30,000 students study at IUPUI, coming from all over the world, all 50 states, and all 92 Indiana counties. The campus is located just west of downtown Indianapolis, with easy access to city and state centers of government, business, and the arts. Restaurants, sports venues, parks, galleries, museums, the White River State Park, and the Indianapolis Zoo are within a short walking distance of the campus.

Indianapolis

The population of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is 1,700,201. Indianapolis is referred to as the “Crossroads of America” and more than half of the nation’s population lives within a day’s drive of Indianapolis. Indianapolis is an urban research university with a growing reputation for innovation. We offer more than 200 degree programs - from associate to doctoral and professional - and IUPUI is 7th nationally in the number of health-related degrees and 15th in the number of graduate professional degrees granted. Nearly 30,000 students study at IUPUI, coming from all over the world, all 50 states, and all 92 Indiana counties. The campus is located just west of downtown Indianapolis, with easy access to city and state centers of government, business, and the arts. Restaurants, sports venues, parks, galleries, museums, the White River State Park, and the Indianapolis Zoo are within a short walking distance of the campus.

Downtown Indianapolis

Downtown Indianapolis is a vibrant and exciting place to live, work, and relax. Many of the city’s more than 200 restaurants and taverns are within walking distance of the Westin Indianapolis. There are more than 200 retail stores in the downtown area, including Circle Centre Mall, Massachusetts Avenue, the Indianapolis City Market, and other center city districts.

The White River State Park is Indiana’s first urban state park, offering a variety of recreational facilities and natural green spaces. The 250-acre park and canal feature the world-class Indianapolis Zoo and White River Gardens, as well as significant art, history, recreational, and sports venues.

Indianapolis is home to 22 galleries and 10 performing arts theaters, including the Eiteljorg Museum of American Indians & Western Art; the Indiana State Museum, which houses Indiana’s only IMAX theatre; the Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art; and the Indianapolis Artsgarden.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

The Westin Indianapolis (Institute site) - Rooms are reserved at The Westin Indianapolis, 50 South Capitol Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46204. The number of Institute rooms is limited. Reservations can be made by calling 1-317-262-8100, or through the Westin Central Reservation Offices at 1-800-937-8461. Be sure to identify yourself as attending the 2006 Assessment Institute to be eligible for the Institute rate. The hotel deadline to obtain these rates is September 28, 2006.

The Westin Indianapolis Room Rates:

- Single Occupancy: $120 + $18 tax
- Double Occupancy: $120 + $18 tax
- Triple Occupancy: $130 + $19.50 tax

EARLY HOTEL DEPARTURE FEES

There will be an early departure fee of one night’s room and tax in the event that you check out prior to your reserved check-out date. Guests wishing to avoid this fee must advise the hotel at or before check-in of any change in their length of stay.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registrations will be accepted until October 6, 2006 on a first-return basis. There will be a service fee of $15 for all cancellations made prior to October 23, 2006. There will be no refunds of any kind after October 23, 2006.

Make checks payable to University Place and mail to:

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