COVID-19 and Assessment: Student Learning in a Pandemic

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AGENDA

Data & Trends as Context

Practical Recommendations

Telling Your Story

Closing Resources & Tips



How It Started

How It's Going





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How are you Feeling?

Cautiously optimistic

Unclear on mandates and safety regulations

Questions on flexibility, hybrid, or how to teach from quarantine

Concerns on learning loss and building student community

Tired and worn down

Disaffected

Questioning form and purpose

Overworked

Please share your thoughts!

Data & Trends as Context

HIGHLIGHTS FROM COVID SURVEY

August 2020



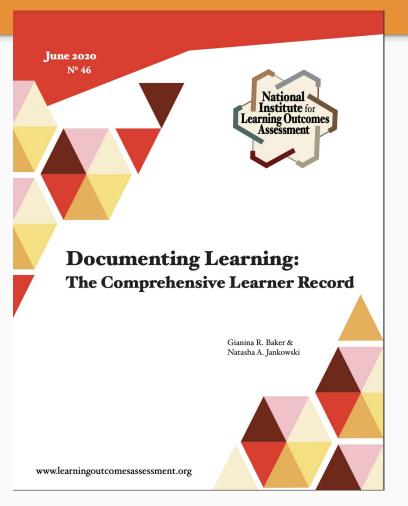
Assessment During A Crisis: Responding to a Global Pandemic

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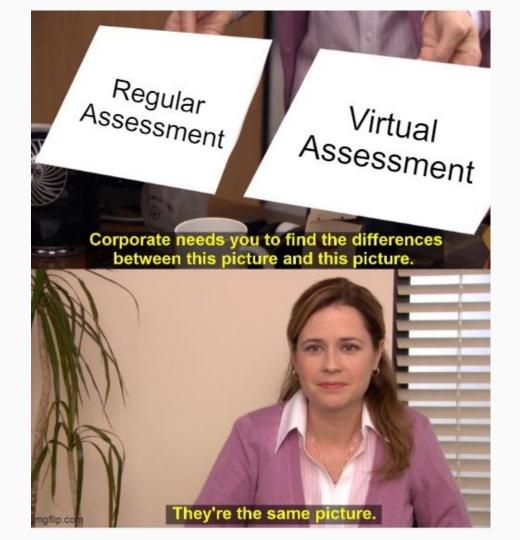


- Awareness of student needs: empathy, holistic view of student, positionality of learner in decisions
- Equity concerns: technology access, national movements, trauma-informed and healing-centered approaches
- 3. Wide-scale professional development
- 4. Return to assessment basics
- Fatigue regarding constant shifting nature of work and length of disruption
- 6. Growing awareness of no return to normal

October 2020 Nº 49 National 4 **Institute** for Learning Outcomes Assessment There Is No Return to Normal: Harnessing Chaos to Create Our New **Assessment Future** Rebecca C. Hong & Kara Moloney www.learningoutcomesassessment.org



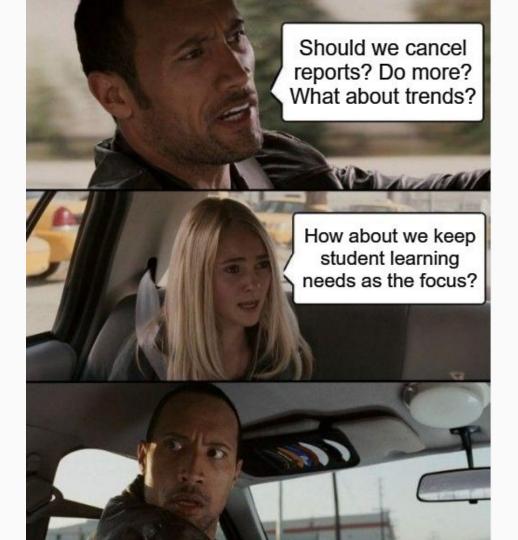
ACADEMIC TRENDS - INITIAL PANIC



ACADEMIC TRENDS - COLLABORATION WITH SA



ACADEMIC TRENDS - MIXED PRIORITIES



STUDENT AFFAIRS TRENDS - DISRUPTION/STRAIN



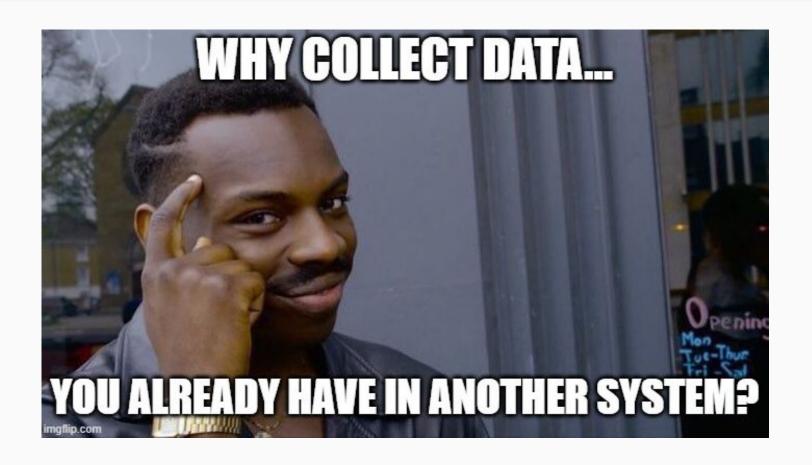
STUDENT AFFAIRS TRENDS - SILVER LINING







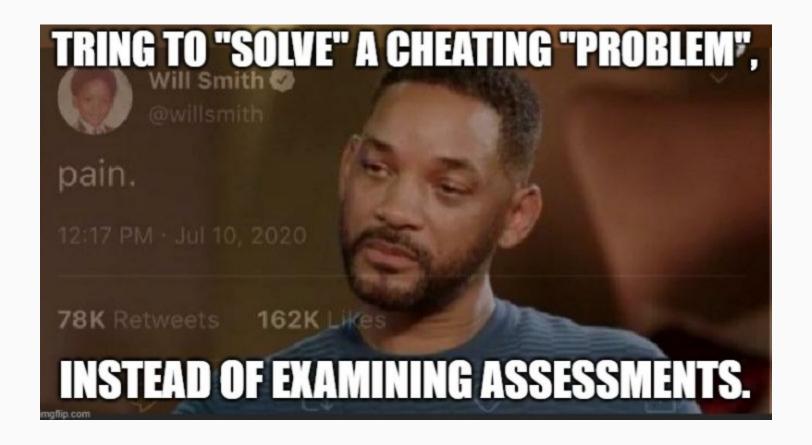
STUDENT AFFAIRS TRENDS - SYSTEM LEVERAGE



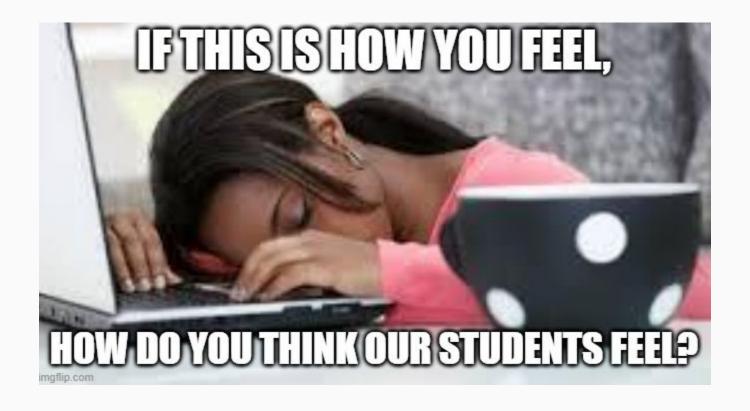
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- ACPA Community Conversation Webinar Recordings & Resources: https://www.myacpa.org/covid-19
- NILOA Supporting the Field in Challenging Times Webinars & Resources: https://emails.illinois.edu/newsletter/5031235.html
- SAAL structured conversations and blogs related to COVID:
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xGQHIM3y2Y4
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YH6lzMSM1eM
 - http://studentaffairsassessment.org/entries/blog/6-lessons-to-sustain-assessment-in-tod ay-s-climate
 - http://studentaffairsassessment.org/entries/blog/forward-with-the-pdc-a-spotlight-on-prof essional-development-offerings

Practical Recommendations



ONLINE - ENGAGEMENT EXPECTATIONS



FLEXIBILITY & EMPATHY



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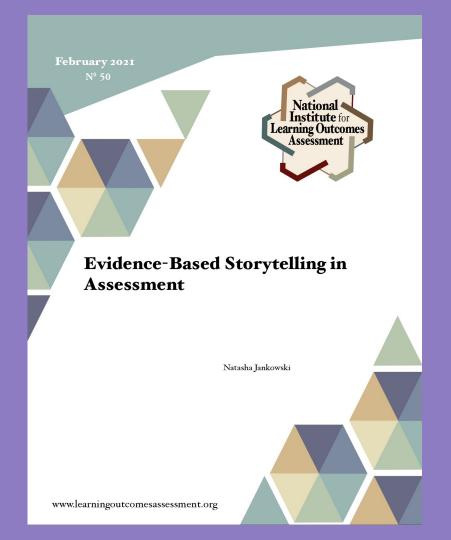
MORE EQUITABLE OUTCOMES



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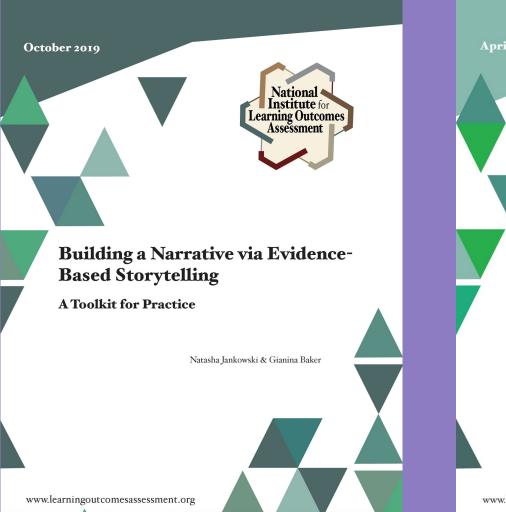
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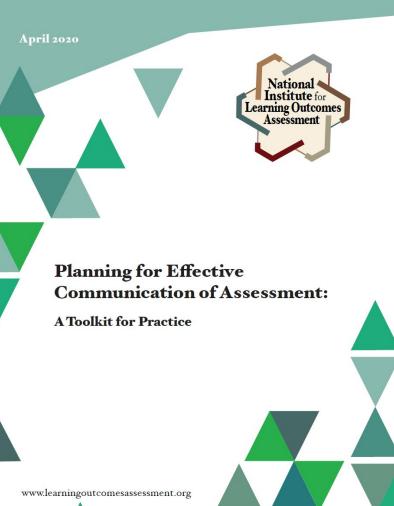
- Audience
- Argument
- Evidence
- Community-Building
- Sense-Making



TELLING OUR STORIES

- What did you do and why throughout the course of remote instruction and operation? Based on what evidence?
- What changes were made to learning processes, practices, and approaches? Why?
- What evidence of learning do you have? How trustworthy is it?
- Who are you updating about your plans and results? When are you communicating with them (before activity, during, after)?





Closing Resources & Tips

ORGANIZATIONS









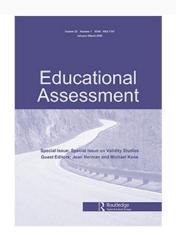
Assessment, Evaluation, and Research KC

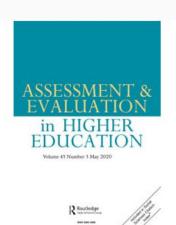




JOURNALS/BLOGS









Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice







LISTSERVS









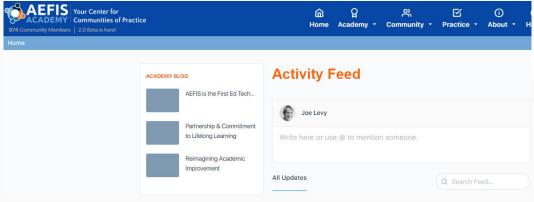
Assessment and Research in Career Services (ARCS)

The ARCS Network facilitates conversation among career services professionals engaged in assessment in practice settings.

FREE STRUCTURED ENVIRONMENTS







Applying and Leading Assessment in Student Affairs

2021 Course: February 8, 2021 - April 5, 2021

Registration is open (click below)! Registration closes March 26, 2021.

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Links are provided for resources shared in order of appearance in the slides:

Jankowski, N. A. (2020, August). <u>Assessment during a crisis: Responding to a global pandemic.</u> Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

Hong, R. C., & Moloney, K. (2020, October). *There is no return to normal: Harnessing chaos to create our new assessment future*. (Occasional Paper No. 49). Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

Baker, G. R., & Jankowski, N. A. (2020, June). <u>Documenting learning: The comprehensive learner record.</u> (Occasional Paper No. 46). Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

Ithaka S&R COVID-19 Resources for Higher Education: https://sr.ithaka.org/our-work/covid-19/

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Additional information for concerns about cheating - read Natasha's blog: https://www.aefisacademy.org/reflections-on-trust-cheating-in-a-pandemic/

Evidence-based storytelling materials from NILOA: https://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/evidence-based-storytelling/

Jankowski, N. (2021, January). *Evidence-based storytelling in assessment*. (Occasional Paper No. 50). Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

Jankowski, N. A., & Baker, G. R. (2019, October). <u>Building a narrative via evidence-based storytelling: A toolkit for practice</u>. Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment.

National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment (2020, April). <u>Planning for effective communication of assessment: A toolkit for practice.</u> Urbana, IL: University of Illinois and Indiana University, Author.

<u>Democracy and Assessment four-part webinar series</u> at AEFIS Academy. You can read the introductory blog: https://www.aefisacademy.org/the-fragility-of-democracy/

Organizations

NILOA – webinars, publications, resources: https://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/

SAAL – webinars, blog, open course, resources: http://studentaffairsassessment.org/

AALHE – webinars, publication, podcast, conference, resources: https://www.aalhe.org/

NASPA – AER – webinars, resources, conference: https://www.naspa.org/home

ACPA – CAE – webinars, resources, conference: https://www.myacpa.org/

CAS – resources: https://www.cas.edu/

Learning Improvement Community: https://www.learning-improvement.org/

Journals/Blogs

Journal of Student Affairs: https://jsai.scholasticahq.com/

Educational Assessment:

https://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=aimsScope&journalCode=heda20

Assessment & Evaluation in Higher Education:

https://www.tandfonline.com/action/journalInformation?show=aimsScope&journalCode=caeh20

Journal of Assessment and Institutional Effectiveness:

http://www.psupress.org/Journals/jnls jaie.html

Journal of Student Affairs Research and Practice: https://www.naspa.org/journals/journal-of-student-affairs-research-and-practice

Student Affairs Assessment Leaders Blog: http://studentaffairsassessment.org/blog

Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education:

https://www.aalhe.org/intersection

Linda Suskie Blog: https://lindasuskie.com/apps/blog

Presence Blog: https://www.presence.io/blog/

Listservs

National Institute for Learning Outcomes Assessment (NILOA):

https://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/joinemail/

Student Affairs Assessment Leaders: http://studentaffairsassessment.org/saa-leaders-listserv
Association for the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education: https://www.aalhe.org/a

<u>listserv</u>

Assessment and Research in Career Services: https://www.careercenter.illinois.edu/scholarship-and-innovation/arcs

Free Structured Environments

 $LARC\ Assessment\ Modules: \underline{https://www.learningoutcomesassessment.org/browse-by/new-to-assessment/\#Modules}$

Student Affairs Online Open Course: http://studentaffairsassessment.org/online-open-course

AEFIS Academy: https://www.aefisacademy.org/