THE value TO ASSESSMENT APPROACH

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VALID ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING IN UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION

Evidence-based + evidence-generating.

The VALUE approach is a methodologically sound, authentic, and creative response to the need for direct evidence of the quality of student learning across critical skills and abilities.

The VALUE approach is centered on a list of (free) rubrics representing 16 essential learning outcomes for undergraduate education:

- Civic Engagement
- Creative Thinking
- Critical Thinking
- Ethical Reasoning
- Lifelong Learning
- Global Learning
- Information Literacy
- Inquiry and Analysis
- Integrative Learning
- Intercultural Knowledge & Competence
- Oral Communication
- Problem Solving
- Quantitative Literacy
- Reading
- Teamwork
- Written Communication

Authentic assessment.

Rather than a standardized test divorced from the curriculum, the VALUE approach bases assessment of student learning on the actual work that students produce in response to assignments from the curriculum or co-curriculum.

Why Authentic Assessment?

Students demonstrate their learning through course assignments—the same work they're already doing—making assessment both meaningful and actionable for improving teaching and learning.

858,770
Individual rubric downloads

2,962
Colleges + universities represented

161
Countries represented

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