Teaching Evaluation Taskforce Update
Faculty Senate, March 2024

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Charge

1. Develop parameters for the configuration Watermark CES for deployment in Spring 2023.
   a. Develop high quality course evaluation question set to implement evidence-based best practices for normed university-wide question set. - **Completed**
   b. Develop initial standard practice parameters for Watermark CES use, e.g. confidentiality parameters, guidelines for instructors for course-specific questions. - **Completed**
   c. Work with faculty piloting the software and solicit feedback from the broader faculty to tailor implementation to WSU needs and interests. - **Completed**
2. Review teaching evaluation policies, procedures, and practices and recommend updates for AY 2023-2025.
   a. Develop evidence-based guidelines for teaching evaluation, with focus on evaluation methods that are independent of student perceptions.
   b. Work with T&P Committees and other institutional units as appropriate in the review and development of recommendations.
   c. Recommend updates to university policy if/as needed.

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Timeline

2024
- Targeted Evaluation Pilot
- Develop Individual Questions
- Course evaluation best practices toolbox
- Norming continues

2025
- Complete Charge
- Collaborate as needed

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Summary of Fall 2023

- Number of responses cut-off moved from 5 to 4

- Comments only – not an option through Watermark

- A process was developed to confirm the survey was requested but not enough responses (ARC training and webpage)

- Response rate SP23 and SU23 ~ 83%; FA23 ~ 89%

- Access to reports – policy 4.31

- Developed a process for obtaining results after termination

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Spring 2024 and beyond

- Developing Individual Course Questions with best practices
- Pilot a targeted survey in fall 2024
- Develop a course evaluation best practices toolbox
- Collaborate with the faculty evaluation alignment committee as needed

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Questions