Improve KSU is our university-wide, continuous improvement initiative. Each unit develops an Assessment Plan and collects data for the outcomes and measures specified in the plan. The Improvement Report is essentially the completion of the remaining fields in the template for each Student Learning Outcome and/or Performance Outcome. The 2017 Improvement Report is due on September 30, 2017.

Please note: The default in the Improve KSU system (http://improve.kennesaw.edu) is now FY 2018. Please use the “Edit Filter” button to select FY2017 to complete your Improvement Report.

Fields on the Improvement Report

RESULTS: Aggregated data, summary of the analyses, and interpretations for each measure
- Summarize results using clear and succinct language.
- Use basic summary statistics, such as means and frequency distributions.
- Attach graphs if they aid in the interpretation of results.
- Attach and refer to pre-existing reports, if applicable (i.e., “See page 9, Figure #2, of the attached report”).
- Include a brief summary of previous years’ results and/or comparative graphs to help illustrate trends over time.
- Requests for institutional data may be emailed to data@kennesaw.edu.

IMPROVEMENTS: Improvement(s) verified with data and trends
- Complete this section only for outcomes that were measured during the previous assessment cycle (i.e., measured two years in a row).
- Summarize the improvement(s) observed and verified with multiple years of data (i.e., measure → change → measure).

BRAINSTORMING: Possible strategies for improvement
- This is an area for the collection of ideas generated through brainstorming discussions.
- Strategies not implemented at this time are documented for future reference.
- The strategy for improvement selected for implementation during the next assessment cycle is described in the following section.

STRATEGY FOR IMPROVEMENT: The specific strategy for improvement selected for implementation
- Describe the strategy for improvement that will be implemented during the next assessment cycle.
- Be as specific as possible.
- Provide consistent communication about the strategy for improvement to faculty and/or staff.
- Follow up to ensure consistent implementation of the strategy during the next assessment cycle (i.e., measure → change → measure).

Linkages to the KSU Strategic Plan

Each Student Learning Outcome and/or Performance Outcome should relate to the KSU Strategic Plan. Follow these steps to designate the relationship of each outcome to the strategic plan.
- Save your edits to the Improvement Report to avoid losing information added to the template.
- Under the “Related” tab for each outcome, click “add” and select “Kennesaw State University.”
- Select the KSU mission and each of the strategic priorities and/or action steps that the outcome most supports.
- Click “Add.”

Additional Resources

The Improve KSU website (http://oie.kennesaw.edu/improve-ksu) provides additional resources (including an example Improvement Report) to support your assessment efforts. Please contact the Office of Institutional Effectiveness at assessment@kennesaw.edu if you have any questions or you would like to schedule an individual or team consultation. Thank you for your active engagement with and commitment to the Improve KSU initiative.