ASSESSMENT WEBSITE INFORMATION

College: Sciences and Mathematics

Degree Program: Computer Science BS/BA

Chair/Director: Debra Ingram

DATA SAY:

Assessment for BS/BA core began with the administration of the Major Field Test through Educational Testing Service (ETS) to Fourteen (14) students. The mean score was 143 for this group which put them in the 55th percentile. However, only 43% of this population represented graduating seniors in the program.

SO WHAT:

While this group did give us feedback, it did not represent the group we want to track since it also contained students at sophomore and junior levels. Additionally, four (4) of the scores were above the 70th percentile while the remaining scores were all below the 55th percentile. Due to this gap, it was clear that the scores do not give us a good picture of the knowledge at the end of the program which we wish to measure against a national standard. As such, we will not use these data for determining changes in the program.

HOW WE CHANGED:

The department decided to pursue requiring every graduating senior to take the MFT as part of the requirements before graduation. This will be part of the program starting in 2014.

WHAT WE GOT:

The MFT data did not reflect the state of knowledge of the graduating seniors in the program and was not used. The problem was addressed, and graduating seniors will take the MFT during their last semester as part of their program.



