

SPRING RESEARCH GROUP @ CLARK COLLEGE

ASSESSMENT OF LEARNING LINKS

Most of these links are from <http://www.sbctc.ctc.edu/ewag/EWAG0404/index.htm>

Live links are available by going to [Cannell Library Web page](#). [Click on For Faculty/Staff](#).

[ERIC \(Educational Resources Information Center\) Assessment Resources](#):

ERIC is currently undergoing changes. No information has been added since 12/03. ERIC is scheduled to reopen on September 1, 2004. You may still search the ERIC database. ERIC documents always have a number (ED##### or EJ#####). EJs are journal articles. The library can get them through Interlibrary Loan. Fill out a form at the [library web page](#) or come to the Reference Desk. For ED#####, see Ordering ERIC Documents below.

- SearchERIC <http://SearchERIC.org>
- Educator's Reference Desk <http://www.eduref.org/> (Another ERIC dbase)
- ERIC Digests: available through both sites above. Short reports (1000-1500 words) available free in full-text. Look for buttons to search exclusively. Print yourself.
- Practical Assessment Research and Evaluation (PARE) <http://PAREonline.net> This is a peer reviewed, ejournal on assessment
- Test Locator use <http://buros.unl.edu/buros/jsp/search.jsp> & <http://www.ets.org/testcoll/index.html>
- CAT tutorial <http://edres.org/scripts/cat>
- IRT page <http://edres.org/irt>
- BETSY (automated essay scoring) <http://edres.org/betsy>
- Measurement Decision Theory <http://edres.org/mdt>

Ordering ERIC documents: Options

1. ERIC documents (since approx. 1993) are available through the ERIC document reproduction service (EDRS). Electronic copies, when available are \$6.00. Paper copies vary but are generally \$7.25. In light of the time constraints, perhaps Rita would authorize ordering. Needs a credit card. Check with Rita. <http://www.edrs.com> or 1-800-443-3742.

2. WSU-V and University of Portland, both have access to E-Subscribe. This system makes available for download many ERIC documents. If you visit either library, take your faculty ID. You may be charged for printing.

3. Call Cannell Library (Joan x2826) and I'll figure out how to get whatever it is.

Other sites recommended by eWAG newsletter:

State Board for Community & Technical Colleges (SBCTC)

Provides resources and information on activities/events related to assessment, teaching and learning in Washington State's Community and Technical Colleges.

Office of Adult Literacy Competencies/EFF

Equipped for the Future (EFF) is a National Institute for Literacy research project that seeks to improve the quality of adult education services by offering the field a comprehensive content framework, better-defined results, and standards that enable programs to focus on achieving those results.

[Learning Assessment Listserv](#)

The Research and Planning (RP) Group of California Community Colleges and the Center for Student Success will be launching a new Learning Assessment Listserv this fall to help develop and share best practices in assessment among the California Community College community. The Listserv will provide a forum to discuss effective and practical ways of using assessment for improving student learning while also meeting the new WASC Accreditation Standards.

To provide participants with an effective and efficient means of interacting, the Listserv will be moderated. Each week moderators will e-mail participants short presentations and/or summaries of participants' comments on an important issue in assessment. Presentations and resulting discussion summaries will be stored in a searchable format at a web site (URL to be announced soon). While the topics to be covered will likely be adjusted over time to accommodate participants' needs, the initial topics planned include:

- Developing Course-Level Learning Outcomes
- Assessing Course-Level Learning Outcomes
- Integrating Course-Level Assessment with Department/Program Practice
- Developing and Assessing Program-Level Learning Outcomes
- Developing a Simple and Effective Assessment System
- Assessing the Impact of Student Services on Learning

Anyone interested in developing practical and effective means of assessing are welcome to participate. If you would like to join, please send an email to Listserv@listserv.ccnex.net without a subject line. In the body of the e-mail, type line "subscribe LearningAssessment" without quotation marks.

[Student Learning Outcomes: Recommended Reading](#)

Western Washington University, Bellingham.

[AAHE American Association for Higher Education \(extensive list of links\)](#)

The AAHE Assessment Forum is the primary national network connecting and supporting higher education stakeholders involved in assessment. It promotes thoughtful, effective approaches to assessment that involve faculty, benefit students, and improve the quality of teaching and learning. It helps campuses, programs, and individuals to plan, implement, and share the results of their assessment efforts by **publishing**, networking, and sponsoring an annual national **conference**.

[AIR Internet Resources for Institutional Research](#)

The Association for Institutional Research (AIR) is a professional association of more than 3,100 institutional researchers, planners, and decision-makers from higher education institutions around the world. AIR exists to benefit its members and help advance research that will improve the understanding, planning, and operation of higher education institutions.

[Outcomes Assessment Resources on the Web](#)

Provides links to web sites related to assessment in higher education and educational evaluation in general. They are loosely organized into eight categories: University Assessment Pages, General Resources, Agencies, Institutes and Organizations, Assessment Instruments and Techniques, Assessment Papers and Reports, Commercial Resources on Assessment, Benchmarking, and Software.

[Texas State: Useful Higher Education Assessment Links](#)

[Suggestions for Getting Started \(on Outcomes Assessment\)](#), by Noreen and Peter Facione

[Student Learning Outcomes: A Faculty Resource Guide, University of Washington](#)

[Higher Learning Commission of North Central Association of Colleges and Schools](#)

[North Carolina State University's Resources for Higher Education Outcomes Assessment](#)