Top Down & Bottom Up

Fully Integrating Teaching, Learning and Assessment Practices



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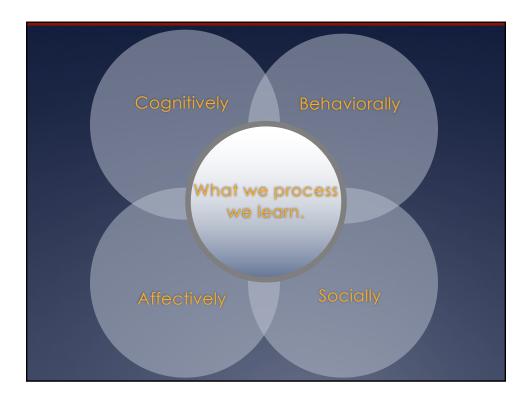
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Anticipation Guide

Directions: Agree, Disagree, or Edit.

- 1. Learning results from taking notes and discussing concepts.
- 2. Assessment focuses on determining what students know and can do.
- 3. Active learning focuses on problem solving and is used mostly in advanced classes.

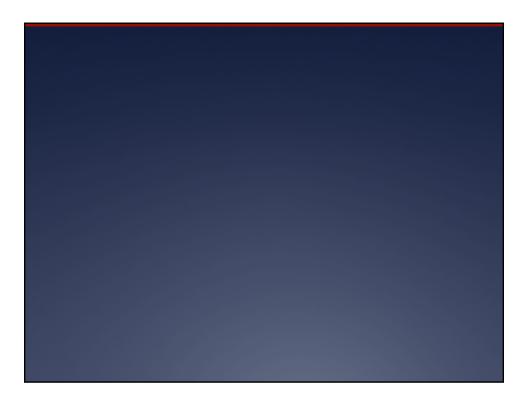




6 Principles for Developing Deep & Flexible Learning

- 1. Learning through practice at retrieval
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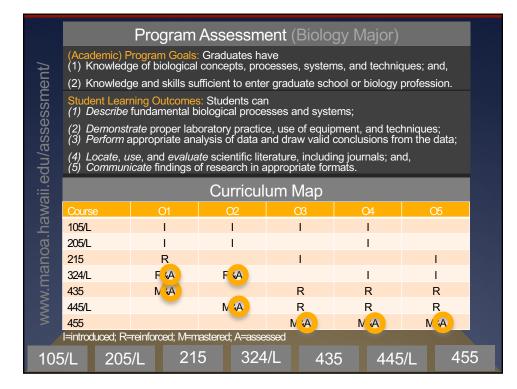
(Engle, 2006; Halpern & Hakel, 2003; Mariano, Doolittle, & Hicks, 2009; Wagner, 2006)



Program and Course Design and Assessment Part 1: Top Down



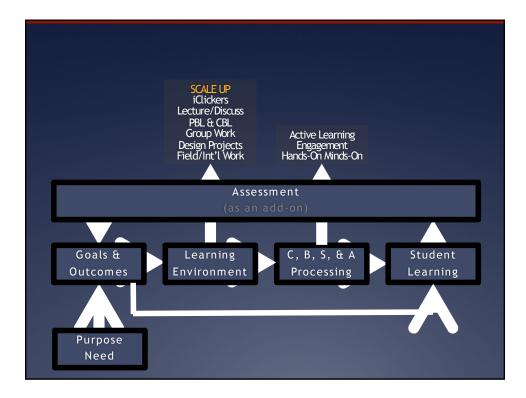
curriculum map

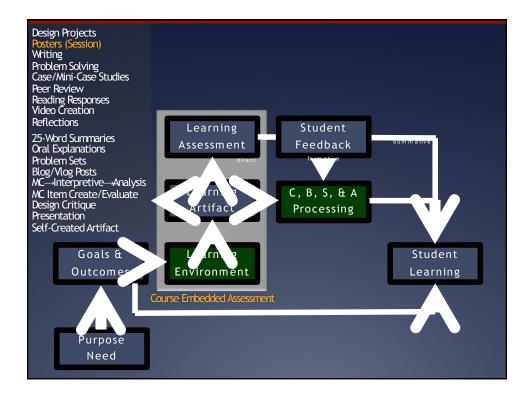


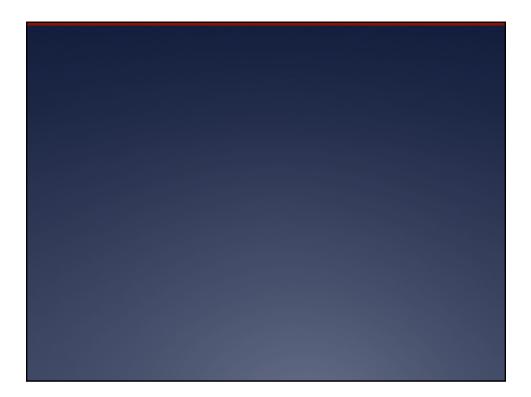
Program and Course Design and Assessment Part 2: Bottom Up



learning artifacts





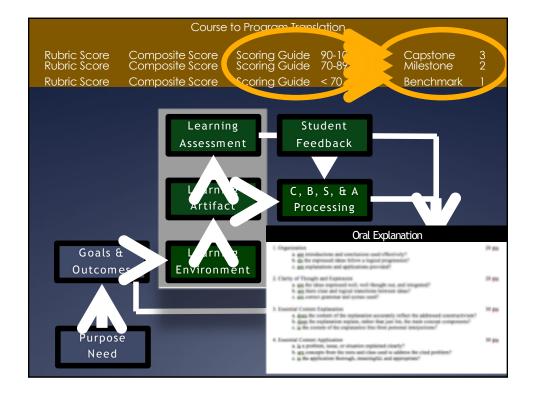


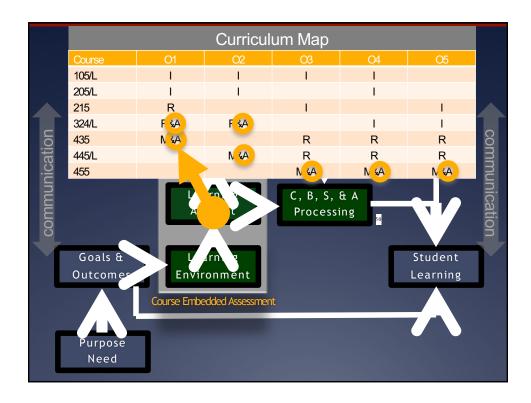
Why Assess?

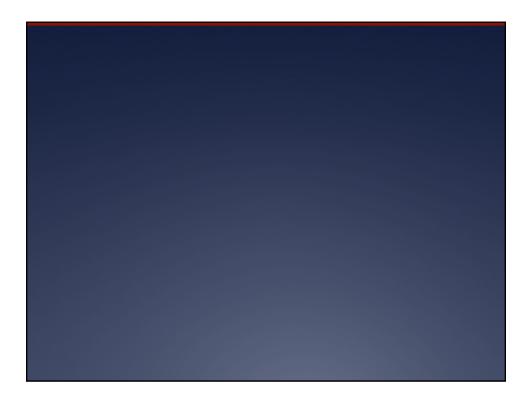
- Course Assessment for Program Assessment
- Course Assessment for Course Grade
- Course Assessment for Course Modification







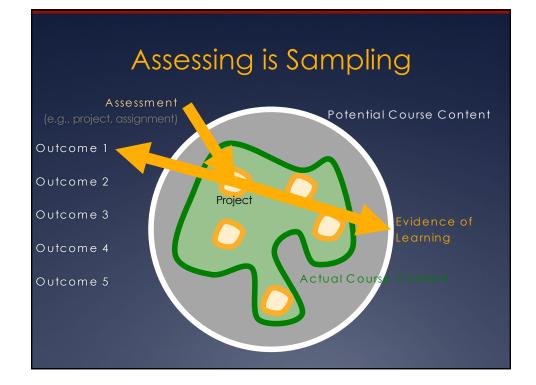


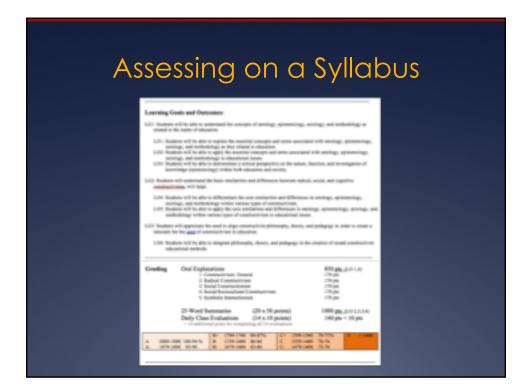


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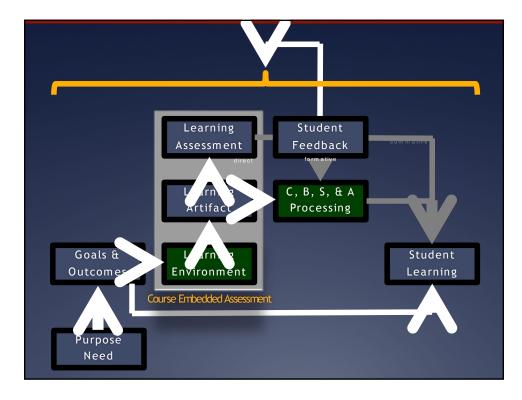
Guiding Grade Principles

- 1. Grades should be a natural extension of good instructional design, including course embedded assessments.
- 2. Grades should be based on student academic achievement and performance.
- 3. Grades should be based on a series of assessments that provide equity in the opportunity to demonstrate learning.
- 4. Grade determination should be clearly explained on the course syllabus.



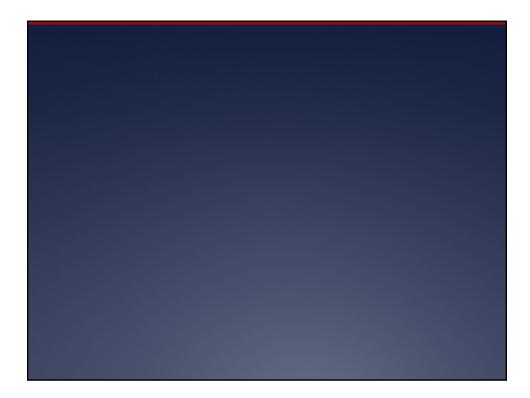


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Course Revision

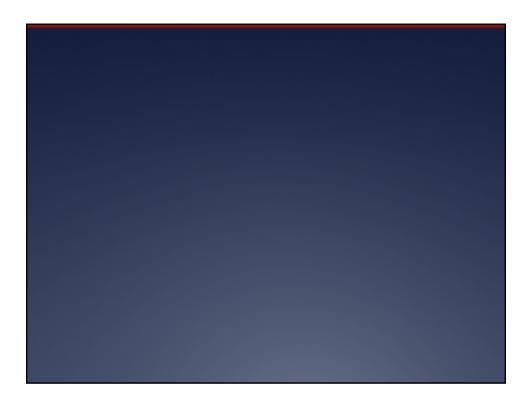
- Are there prerequisite knowledge & skills missing?
- Are the course goals & outcomes appropriate?
- Are the course activities & instruction appropriate?
- Are the course assignments appropriate?



Active Learning Strategies



processing





- Opportunity for students to (a) communicate their understanding of various ideas, concepts, and procedures, and (b) apply this understanding to a problem or situation of choice.
- Explain key ideas, concepts, and procedures from class in a 10-min video (no notes, no post-processing)

example -

Oral Explanations Fostering Deep & Flexible Learning

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Poster Session Fostering Deep & Flexible Learning

- Opportunity to select, research, organize, summarize, and communicate specific energy alternatives.
- Produce a conference-style poster and present the poster (discussion) in a public poster session.

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25-Word Summaries Fostering Deep & Flexible Learning

- Opportunity to engage in critical thinking and extract the essential meaning from a reading, lecture, video, movie, activity, or experience
- Summarize the meaning clearly and concisely, based on student's understanding, in 25 words or less.

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