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Summer progress...

Identified challenges and tasks required to implement program and compiled goals for the groups undertaking these tasks.

Developed a time line and identified priorities with respect to challenges and tasks.

Five committee members visited Bowling Green State University.



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Timeline Priorities:

First priority...

To develop the approved Essential Student Learning Outcomes passed in MOA-17/05 into easy to use assessment rubrics to be used by faculty within approved courses.



Outcomes and Proficiencies Event

October 20 and 27 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.

in the Bernhard Center

Email and postcard have been sent out, watch for follow up emails arriving soon

Faculty are encouraged to attend and help



Post-Workshop Next Steps

- Workshop developed rubrics available for comment and feedback.
- Draft revision of current general education policy
- Development of course approval process for course inclusion in WMU Essential Studies program
- Role of Elearning



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Help set the direction for WMU Essential Studies!

Save the dates

For more information email
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- Sept. 20-
Oct. 9** Faculty volunteer for an Outcome and Proficiencies working group
- Oct. 5** Faculty Senate meeting progress report
- Oct. 20** Outcomes and Proficiencies working groups event, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Oct. 27** Outcomes and Proficiencies working groups follow-up event 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Nov. 2** Faculty Senate meeting progress report
- Nov. 15** Proficiency criteria release for public comment
- Dec. 1-
Jan. 10** Draft learning outcome proficiency levels posted for comment
- Dec. 7** Faculty Senate meeting progress report
- March 1** Faculty Senate meeting, first reading of Essential Studies policy document
- April 5** Faculty Senate meeting, vote on Essential Studies policy