Hawaii Pacific University AMS » College of Natural and Computational Sciences » Natural Sciences **MS in Marine Science** 

# 2016-2017 Assessment Cycle

# Assessment Findings

#### **Finding per Measure**

### Hawaii Pacific University Graduate ILOs with PLOs (Copy 1)

**Critical Thinking** 

Students will identify and explain issues, analyze evidence, assess assumptions, define their own perspectives and positions, and present the implications and consequences of their conclusions.

## **Outcome: Ability to plan and implement**

Students will demonstrate the ability to plan and implement observational, theoretical, and experimental studies.

Measure: Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense
Program level Direct - Student Artifact

Details/Description:	Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense
Acceptable Target:	75% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Ideal Target:	100% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Implementation Plan (timeline):	2016-2017
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Committee Chair and Committee members

Supporting Attachments:

MSMS Thesis Defense Rubric (Microsoft Word)

Findings for Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense

Summary of Findings:

Total of 4 MSMS thesis students graduated. Students scored on scale of 1 = "needs improvement", 2 = "meets expectations", 3 =



"Performance above expectations." Average score of objective #2 was 2.5, with 100% of students scoring above 2 and less than 3.

Acceptable Target Achievement: Exceeded; Ideal Target Achievement : Approaching

Recommendations: No recommendations at this time.

Reflections/Notes: Meets acceptable target achievement.

Substantiating Evidence:

Results :

Rubric Evaluation 2016-17 (Excel Workbook (Open XML))

Summary of student scores on thesis defense rubric

# Outcome: Apply and integrate scientific principles

Students will demonstrate an advanced ability to apply and integrate scientific principles and research data to solve complex problems in the marine and/or environmental systems.

# Measure: Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense Program level Direct - Student Artifact

Details/Description:	Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense
Acceptable Target:	75% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Ideal Target:	100% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Implementation Plan (timeline):	2016-2017
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Committee Chair and Committee members

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#### Supporting Attachments:

MSMS Thesis Defense Rubric (Microsoft Word)

#### Findings for Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense

Summary of Findings:	Total of 4 MSMS thesis students graduated. Students scored on scale of 1 = "needs improvement", 2 = "meets expectations", 3 = "Performance above expectations." Average score on Objective #4 was 2.46, with 100% of students scoring 2 or greater and less than 3.
Results :	Acceptable Target Achievement: Exceeded; Ideal Target Achievement : Approaching
Recommendations:	No recommendations at this time
Reflections/Notes:	Meets acceptable target achievement.

Substantiating Evidence:

Rubric Evaluation 2016-17 (Excel Workbook (Open XML))

Summary of student scores on thesis defense rubric

Information Literacy

Students will demonstrate the ability to recognize and articulate an information need, and to access, evaluate, and use relevant source material effectively, ethically, and legally in their academic pursuits.

## **Outcome: Scientific literature**

Students will be able to interpret and critique professional scientific literature.

• Measure: Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense

# Program level Direct - Student Artifact

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Ideal Target:	100% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Implementation Plan (timeline):	2016-2017
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Committee Chair and Committee members

Supporting Attachments:

MSMS Thesis Defense Rubric (Microsoft Word)

Findings for Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense

Summary of Findings:	Total of 4 MSMS thesis students graduated. Students scored on scale of 1 = "needs improvement", 2 = "meets expectations", 3 = "Performance above expectations." Average score on Objective #1 & #3 was 2.73, with 75% of students scoring 2 or greater and less than 3, and 25% of students scoring 3.0.
Results :	Acceptable Target Achievement: Exceeded; Ideal Target Achievement : Approaching
Recommendations:	No recommendations at this time
Reflections/Notes:	Meets acceptable target achievement

Substantiating Evidence:

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Summary of student scores on thesis defense rubric

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## Written Communication

Students will organize their thoughts and feelings, synthesize relevant information and concepts, and effectively, clearly, and persuasively communicate their perspectives through written language.

## **Outcome: Scientific communication**

Students will demonstrate competence in scientific communication through technical and scientific reports, publications and oral presentation.

 Measure: Evaluation of Thesis Chapter 1 - written communication ILO Institution level Direct - Student Artifact

Details/Description:	Faculty Evaluation of Chapter 1 of thesis (literature review) Institutional Learning Outcome written communication evaluation rubric to be used Multiple faculty will review each artifact
Acceptable Target:	average score of greater than 3 in each competency
Ideal Target:	average score of 3.5 or higher in each compentency
Implementation Plan (timeline):	Collection of completed chapter 1 artifacts from each defending MSMS student in Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 Faculty reviews of Fall 2016 occur in Spring 2017 Faculty reviews of Spring 2017 artifacts in Spring and Summer 2017
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Program Director

Findings for Evaluation of Thesis Chapter 1 - written communication ILO

No Findings Added

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Program level Direct - Student Artifact

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Ideal Target:	100% of students scoring 2 or greater on evaluation sheet
Implementation Plan (timeline):	2016-2017
Key/Responsible Personnel:	Committee Chair and Committee members
Supporting Attachments:	

MSMS Thesis Defense Rubric (Microsoft Word)

# Findings for Faculty Evaluation of Thesis Defense

Summary of Findings:	Total of 4 MSMS thesis students graduated. Students scored on scale of 1 = "needs improvement", 2 = "meets expectations", 3 = "Performance above expectations." Average score on Objective #5 was 2.50, with 75% of students scoring 2 or greater and less than 3, and 25% of students scoring 3.0.
Results :	Acceptable Target Achievement: Exceeded; Ideal Target Achievement : Approaching
Recommendations:	No recommendations at this time
Reflections/Notes:	Meets acceptable target achievement

Substantiating Evidence:

Rubric Evaluation 2016-17 (Excel Workbook (Open XML))

Summary of student scores on thesis defense rubric



Scholarly or Creative Mastery

Students will complete a capstone project (thesis, portfolio, professional paper, or performance) that demonstrates advanced knowledge, skills, and perspectives that contribute to their discipline.

## Outcome: Interdisciplinary knowledge

Students will demonstrate an interdisciplinary knowledge of marine and/or environmental systems.

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## **Overall Recommendations**

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## **Overall Reflection**

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