Reframing Assessments in Uncertain Learning Landscapes

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Workshop Goals

• Compare assessment for learning and assessment of learning

• Identify strategies for formative and summative assessments

• Use principles of assessment for learning to develop an assessment flow for one learning goal.

• Consider on how the remote learning environment impacts the strategies you choose.
Assessment for learning vs. assessment of learning... What’s the difference?
## Why Are We Assessing Learning?

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<td><strong>Purpose</strong></td>
<td>Collect information on where learners are in learning process</td>
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<td><strong>Focus</strong></td>
<td>Feedback for learning</td>
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Types of Assessments?
(ideas below were generated by participants at workshop on 10/12/2020)

Summative

- Test/quizzes
- Final comprehensive exam
- Large project
- Research essay
- Final paper
- Formal presentation
- Peer evaluation of presentations
- Film reviews
- Performance or recital

Formative

- Reflection on how topics connect to real world
- Poll questions
- Breaking a large project up into sections, providing feedback (instructor and/or peer feedback)
- Self-reflective essay about what has been learned
- Adaptive quizzes with feedback
- Minute papers
- Discussions-classroom or online
- Self-check exercises
- Entrance/exit tickets - for remote context use Microsoft/Google Forms
- Think-pair-share or small groups (using breakout rooms, shared OneDrive/Google doc, private channels on Teams)
- NearPod Lessons with a collaborate board at the end for insights and questions
- Q&ABoards (on Blackboard, Canvas, etc)
- Flipped homework assignments
Classroom Assessment Techniques

- Think-pair-share
- One-minute paper
- Muddiest point
- Direct paraphrasing
- Student-generated test or homework problems
- Peer review/grading
- Concept mapping
- Chain notes
- Exam wrappers
What Could You Do Differently?

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Assessment for Learning

- Aligned
- Forward Looking
- Transparent
- Frequent Practice with Feedback

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## Assessment Flow

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**CREATING THE NEXT**
Now It's Your Turn! 15 minutes

• Fill out assessment flow for one learning goal/major assessment

• Identify one or two formative assessment to support student learning
  • Is this enough practice for your course/students?
  • Is this feasible for remote environments?
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Thank you!

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