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ANNOUNCEMENT NEWSFLASH

AEFIS Assessment Tool

AEFIS Assessment Tool Implementation Update: Fall Syllabi and Program Level Assessment Strategies

Message from the Provost

I am pleased to report that we have successfully completed the Course Evaluations process for Summer II – surveys went out and reports are available for those instructors who taught in this term. We are now preparing to send out Summer I and III course evaluation surveys to the students, with reports to open on September 18, 2020. We will continue to customize settings and formats for course evaluations to meet our needs. It has been a benefit to start with a smaller subset of data in the summer, and where we can analyze the tool in greater detail.

Additionally, the implementation team is now working towards entering the fall data into AEFIS. The import will be automatic from Banner, a requirement that we had emphasized when reviewing vendors. This was not possible with Digital Measures and will yield significant savings in time and effort.

The next step for Rensselaer and the AEFIS implementation team is to work on Syllabi and Program Assessment for the Fall 2020 term. The goal is to have Syllabi ready for faculty to review and update by September 1, 2020, with Program Assessment to follow on October 1, 2020. We will be extending the date by which syllabi must be entered into AEFIS for the Fall term. We request that Faculty continue to develop their syllabi using the Institute template which can be found at the following site: <https://provost.rpi.edu/learning-assessment/forms-faculty>. Once the syllabi feature is up and running there will be further communication and training to assist you in its use.

The AEFIS Implementation team appreciates your flexibility as we complete the implementation of these new tools.