## What New Faculty Need To Know About Assessment



What can I do better or differently to help students develop the skills and knowledge they need?

## Are my students really learning what I'm teaching?

## How do I know if my students are learning or how my course is going?

- Classroom Assessment Techniques (CAT)
- Formative assessments such as application cards, muddiest point, or the one-minute paper provide instant feedback to help you assess what your students are or are not understanding.
- Plus/Delta mid-term feedback is one way that you may determine what is supporting or interfering with student learning. It is essential to share these results back with the students.
- Group Instructional Feedback Technique (GIFT) offers an objective way to gather responses from your students about what is effective and what is not so effective in helping them learn using a 3<sup>rd</sup> party facilitator.
- Peer Review of Teaching is an important tool to encourage new faculty to focus on pedagogy in teaching, especially using active learning techniques.
- New Faculty Workshop, Friday, Oct 11
- CAT Handbook available through Associate Provost's office

<ul> <li>How can I align my teaching and my scholarship?</li> <li>Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL)</li> <li>http://researchguides.drake.edu/sotl</li> <li>Monthly faculty SoTL lunches</li> <li>List of SoTL journals</li> <li>Project funding available through Associate Provost Sander's office</li> <li>Consultations available with Art Sanders, Greg Lin, and Kevin Saunders</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>How can I align my course with my program's broader learning outcomes?</li> <li>Program learning outcomes listed on the Drake OIRA website.</li> <li><u>Curriculum mapping</u> allows you to see where your course fits within the broader program. Ask your program chair if you have one.</li> <li><u>Understanding by Design/Backwards</u> Design framework helps you design a curriculum, course, or even assignment around your learning outcomes.</li> </ul>
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