

SOAC REPORT

College Academic Senate

February 20, 2014

- One of SOAC's primary concerns at this time is the impact of the Michigan Transfer Agreement on the General Education Distribution List. An initial meeting on the MTA was held earlier today, which some SOAC members attended.
- Assessment Day is scheduled for March 28, 2014 at the Orchard Ridge Campus. Sessions will be conference style as in Winter 2013. Sessions will include:

Program use of assessment

Student Learning Coordinator Expectations (past, present and future)

Creating Assessment Plans

Establishing Benchmarks

Please email Gretchen Arthur if your discipline would like to plan an afternoon discipline specific session.

- The essay contest's submissions are due Monday after break (March 3, 2014 at 5 PM). I plan to email all my students a reminder. Please do the same.
- All common course outcomes are complete although some are still waiting for dean signoff. Disciplines should be focusing on assessment plans and benchmarks.
- Postings for the 2014-2015 Student Learning Coordinators are available. Please consider applying for one of these important roles.
- I will not be seeking reelection as SOAC chairperson in April.