

Biological Sciences, Department of
Assessment Plan Summary

Biological Sciences, Department of

Increase Department Visibility

Goal Description:

To increase the exposure of the Department of Biological Sciences at SHSU to other institutions in Texas, the U.S. and globally

RELATED ITEMS/ELEMENTS -----

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 1

Increased Faculty And Student Participation In National/international Conferences

Performance Objective Description:

The faculty and students in the Department of Biology will increase participation at national and international conferences.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 2

National/international Conference Participation

KPI Description:

The change in number of faculty and students presenting at national and international conferences in the 2014 academic year to the 2015 academic year will be calculated. Our goal is to document an increase in number of presentations over time.

Results Description:

The Department gave a total of 35 presentations at national/international conferences. Of these presentations, 25 were given by students. This was an total increase of 10 presentations from the previous year.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 3

Track Conference Presentations

Action Description:

We will track faculty and student presentations at regional and national conferences. The number of presentations will be compared to those presentations gave the previous year.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 1

Increased Faculty And Student Participation In Regional Conferences

Performance Objective Description:

The faculty and students in the Department of Biology will increase participation at regional conferences.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 2

Regional Conference Participation

KPI Description:

The change in number of faculty and students presenting at regional conferences from 2013 academic year to the 2015 academic year will be calculated. Our goal is to document an increase in number of presentations over time.

Results Description:

The Department gave a total of 88 presentations at state/regional conferences. Of these presentations, 79 were given by biology students. This is an increase of 18 presentations over the analyzed period.

RELATED ITEM LEVEL 3

Track Conference Presentations

Action Description:

We will track faculty and student presentations at regional and national conferences. The number of presentations will be compared to those presentations gave the previous year.

Update to Previous Cycle's Plan for Continuous Improvement

Previous Cycle's Plan For Continuous Improvement (Do Not Modify):

We have maintained funding of 4000 per faculty member for the current review period. We will continue to track the change in presentations overtime.

Update of Progress to the Previous Cycle's PCI:

The number of presentations by faculty and students has increased from the last academic year. We will maintain funding for such activities and will try to incentivize presentation-related activities by increasing funding in the next cycle.

Increase faculty/student support

Closing Summary:

We will request funding to enhance the research-related activities for students and faculty. This funding will be available per request and will be linked directly to student-related research activities. The impact of this increased funding will be evaluated by comparing the increase in faculty/student conference presentations to that of the previous year.

RELATED ITEMS
