# Lander University College of Business MBA Assessment

MBA			_			Actions:		
		Course	Target		Findings Met, Partial,	click to Go		
	Topic	Type/Measure	Met, Partial, Not Met	Date	Not Met	То		
Program Goal 1								
	accounting, finance, management, and marketing.							
Outcome 1	Students will know and	BA 696 Direct:	%Correct	2022-2023	36%,	ACCT		
	apply Accounting	MFT Exam	39,34,<34	Annually	Partial			
	principles							
Outcome 2	Students will know and	BA 696 Direct:	%Correct	2022-2023	32% Not	<u>FINA</u>		
	apply Finance principles	MFT Exam	35,33,<33	Annually	Met			
Outcome 3	Students will know and	BA 696 Direct:	%Correct	2022-2023	53%	<u>MGMT</u>		
	apply Management	MFT Exam	55,53,<53	Annually	Partial			
	principles							
Outcome 4	Students will know and	BA 696 Direct:	%Correct	2022-2023	55%	<u>MKTG</u>		
	apply Marketing	MFT Exam	58,54,<54	Annually	Partial			
	principles							
Outcome 5	Students will have	BA 696 Direct:	MFT Score	2022-2023	243	<u>MFTTotal</u>		
	general applicable	MFT Exam	247, 242, <242	Annually	Partial			
	business knowledge							
Outcome 6	Students will have	E-mailed	% Learned/	2022-2023	Met	KNOWSurv		
	general and functional	Indirect:	Prepared	Annually	100%			
	area applicable business	MBA Exit	Items					
	knowledge	Survey	80, 70, <70	0 146				
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Program Goal 2	MBA students will attain							
Outcome 1	dynamic environments, in Students will describe	Direct: Essay	y, <i>sustainabitty</i>   % Students	, <i>giobalizatioi</i> 2021-2022	Met 95%			
Outcome 1	diversity and offer	MGMT 613	score 15+:	2021-2022	Avg 22.2	<u>DivInc</u>		
	inclusion insights	Essay 11a,c	80, 70, <70	2022-2023	Items 4+			
	inclusion insignts	LSSay IIa,C	Avg 17.5 Item		1101113 4+			
			Avgs 2.5-3,SD<1					
Outcome 2	Students will describe	Direct: Essay	% Students	2021-2022	Met 85%	<u>Sustain</u>		
	appropriate sustainability	MGMT 613	score 2+:	2022-2023	Avg 2.8			
		Essay 9c	80, 70, <70					
Outcome 3	Students will explain	Direct: Essay	Avg 2.25+ % Students	2021-2022	Met	Global		
Outcome 3	strategies in a diverse	MGMT 613	score 15+:	2021-2022	100%	Global		
	global context	Essay 11d	80, 70, <70	2023 2024	Avg 23.5			
	giosarcontext	Losay 11a	Avg 17.5 Item		Items			
			Avgs 2.5-3,SD<1		4.3+			
Outcome 4	Students will apply	Direct: Essay	% Students	2021-2022	Met	Ethics		
	ethical perspectives to a	MGMT 613	score 15+:	2023-2024	87.5%			
	relevant issue	Essay 9d	80, 70, <70		Avg 19			
	Televalit issue				_			
	Televant issue	,	Avg 17.5 Item		Items			
	relevant issue	,	Avg 17.5 Item Avgs 2.5-3,SD<1		Items 4.1+			
Outcome 5	Students will be prepared	E-mailed	_	2022-2023		<u>ESGSurv</u>		
Outcome 5		·	Avgs 2.5-3,SD<1	2022-2023 Annually	4.1+	<u>ESGSurv</u>		
Outcome 5	Students will be prepared	E-mailed	Avgs 2.5-3,SD<1 % Learned/		4.1+ Met	ESGSurv		

	Goal 2 Summary Comments: <u>Here</u>						
	Files in support of Goal 2. Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results: <u>Here</u>						
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Program Goal 3	MBA students will produce strategic analyses and plans, to include vision and mission statements.						
Outcome 1	Students will	Direct: Exam	50% of	2021-2022	Partial	Integ	
	demonstrate Strategic	BA 696	Students	2022-2023	46% of		
	Integration knowledge	MBA MFT	%Correct	Annually	Students		
		A5 Questions	50,45,<45				
Outcome 2	Students will attain a	Direct:	Industry Avg	2021-2022	NA	<u>Stratview</u>	
	strategic view of business	GLOBUS	within 3 points	2023-2024			
	through an integrative	Simulation	of World Avg,	Semi-annual			
	experience.	BA 696	and 3 Items >=				
			World Avgs				
Outcome 3	Students will conduct a	Direct: Project	Average score:	2021-2022	NA	<u>StratAnal</u>	
	comprehensive strategic	Strategic	85, 80,<80	2023-2024			
	analysis and plan	Analysis		Semi-annual			
		BA 696					
Outcome 4	Students will produce a	Direct: Plan in	Average score:	2021-2022	NA	<u>StratPlan</u>	
	strategic plan	GLOBUS	75, 70,<70	2023-2024			
		Simulation		Semi-annual			
		BA 696		Carl 2 Ca			
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Frogram Goar4	thinking, and problem-so		e teaaersnip inro	ngn souna ae	cision mak	ing, creative	
Outcome 1	Students will understand	Direct: BA 696	% Students	2021-2022	Partial	Creative	
Outcome 1	the essentials of creative	Essay 13B	score 7+:	2021-2022	65%	Cicative	
	thinking and sound	233dy 13D	80, 70, <70	Semi-annual	Avg Met		
	decision making		Avg 7+.5 Item	Jenn annaar	7.7 and		
			Avgs 2.5		4.0+		
Outcome 2	Students will describe the	Direct: BA 696	Avg Score	2021-2022	NA	LDRS	
	role of leadership in	Essay 12d	90,85,<85	2023-2024			
	strategy			Semi-annual			
Outcome 3	Students will	Direct:	Wtd Avg of	2021-2022	Met 61.9	<u>Analyt</u>	
	demonstrate analytical	GLO-BUS Quiz	Industry	2022-2023			
	skills	2 Learning	Groups	Semi-annual			
		Assurance	Percentile:				
		Report	60 <sup>th</sup> ,55 <sup>th</sup> , <50 <sup>th</sup>				
Outcome 4	Students will	BA 696 Direct:	MFT Score	2021-2022	Partial	<u>Interp</u>	
	demonstrate critical	MFT Exam	247, 242, <242	2022-2023	243		
	thinking and the ability to			Annually			
	analyze and interpret						
_	data						
Outcome 5	Students will be prepared	E-mailed	% Prepared	2022-2023	Met	<u>AnalSurv</u>	
	for Data Analysis,	Indirect:	with Skill	Annually	100%		
	Problem-Solving,	MBA Exit	Items				
	Decision-making, and	Survey	80, 70, <70				
	Leadership in the						
	workplace.			0.143			
Goal 4 Summary Comments: <u>Here</u>							

Files in support of Goal 4. Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results: Here							
Program Goal 5	MBA students will understand their micro-credential role in the context of the business enterprise.						
Outcome 1	Students will be	E-mailed	% Prepared for	2022-2023	Met	MicroC	
	knowledgeable,	Indirect:	micro-	Annually	100%		
	understand the	MBA Exit	credential				
	relevance, and be	Survey	Items				
	prepared for a job in their		80, 70, <70				
	micro-credential.						
Outcome 2	Students will know they	E-mailed	% Career	2022-2023	Met 98.6	<u>Career</u>	
	are career ready and	Indirect:	Ready Items	Annually			
	know what it means to	MBA Exit	80, 70, <70				
	make a positive impact	Survey					
	on society						
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#### Goal 1

## **Accounting**

# **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023 achieving a score of 36% in Accounting

#### **Actions**

109 students were tested and the mean percent correct for Accounting was 36%. The Comparative Institutions mean was 37.1, standard deviation 6.0. Our goal is to be at least at the mean of comparative institutions and then exceed that. We are close and currently within one standard deviation of the mean.

Since an adequate sample has been achieved, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analysis to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement.

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# **Finance**

#### **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023 achieving a score of 32% in Finance

#### **Actions**

109 students were tested and the mean percent correct for Finance was 32%. The Comparative Institutions mean was 33.5%, standard deviation 3.6. Our goal is to be at least at the mean of comparative institutions and then exceed that. We are close and currently within one standard deviation of the mean. Although we decreased by 1% this year, the combined MFT scores for all years show a 33% score in Finance which is only .5 below the comparative average.

Since an adequate sample has been achieved, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analysis to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement.

# Management

## **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023 achieving a score of 53% in Management

#### **Actions**

109 students were tested and the mean percent correct for Management was 53%. The Comparative Institutions mean was 51.5, standard deviation 7.1. Our goal is to be at least at the mean of comparative institutions and then exceed that. We currently exceed that and seek our higher target of 55%, which exceeds the national mean of 54.2.

Since an adequate sample has been achieved, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analysis to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement.

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# Marketing

# **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023 achieving a score of 55% in Marketing

#### **Actions**

109 students were tested and the mean percent correct for Marketing was 55%. The Comparative Institutions mean was 54.8, standard deviation 8.0. Our goal is to be at least at the mean of comparative institutions and then exceed that. We currently exceed that and seek our higher target of 58%, which exceeds the national mean of 57.6.

Since an adequate sample has been achieved, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analysis to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement.

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# MFT - Business Knowledge

# **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023 achieving an average score of 243

#### Action

The MBA ETS 2023 National Comparative Data Guide shows data for September 2017 through June 2023 for 228 domestic institutions and 41,781 student examinees. The mean was 246.5, median 248, and standard deviation 7.9. Our selected Comparative Institutions mean is 243 and standard deviation is 14.8 among 2,142 test takers.

109 Lander students tested in AY 2022-2023. The Lander mean was 243, and standard deviation 15.

Our goal is to be at least at the mean of comparative institutions and then exceed that by attaining a 247 to exceed the national mean.

Since our student sample size is now large enough, we can being item analyses for each area of the MBA MFT to determine where curriculum improvements are needed and in turn, impact the overall average MBA MFT score.

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# Exit Survey - Business Knowledge

# **Findings**

Students reported that they have adequately (or better) learned, or are adequately (or better) prepared in 100% of the Learning and Development items on the exit survey.

#### **Actions**

72 Students reported that they have adequately (or better) learned, or are adequately (or better) prepared in 100% of the Learning and Development items related to knowledge on the exit survey. The overall average response was 4.3 on a 5 point scale. Accounting and Finance scored the lowest at 3.8 each. 82% (59/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared. 17% (12) of the students felt adequately prepared, with one student reporting in the unprepared range.

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# **Goal 1: Summary/Comments**

We set targets for our MFT scores to exceed the national comparative means. We are not there yet, so, we are only partially meeting the targets. We are at the overall mean of 243 for comparative schools, and exceeding the mean in three of the five domains.

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# Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal

Since we now have an adequate sample of Lander MFT scores, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analyses to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement, as appropriate.

There are no changes proposed relative to the Exit Survey results. We met the target. The low scores are correlated with the MFT performance in Accounting and Finance and thus characteristic of historical experience with these quantitative disciplines. Initiatives to increase the MFT scores should impact student perceptions of preparedness.

# Goal 1 Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results











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#### Goal 2

# **Diversity and Inclusion**

# **Findings**

22 students answered the inclusion essay. The results met the target with 95% scoring a 16 or higher and the average total score being 22.2 out of 25 with a standard deviation of 3.36. The item analysis averages were 4.0, 4.8, and 4.4 with acceptable standard deviations for those means.

12 students answered the essay question on diversity. The results met the target with 100% scoring 17 or higher and the average total score being 21.1 out of 25 with a standard deviation of 2.64. The item analysis averages were 4.2, 4.7, and 3.8. The Application item had a larger than desired standard deviation, explained by 2 of 12 students who scored low since they did not explicitly express enough willingness to accept responsibility to support diversity.

#### **Actions**

When the combined scores for both essays were considered, 97% of the students scored 16 or higher. This meets the target and is improved over last year when that percentage was 80.5%. The overall average improved from 18.7 to 21.7.

We met the target, and the MBA is still relatively new, so we propose no changes at this time.

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#### Sustainability

#### **Findings**

13 students answered the sustainability essay. The results for the sustainability essay met the target with 85% scoring a 3 and the average total score being 2.8 with a standard deviation of .36

# Actions

We met the target in two consecutive years with a sample of 21 students total. The total average to date is 2.7 with 95% of the students scoring 2 or better, and 81% scoring 3, the highest score.

We met the target, and the MBA is still relatively new, so we propose no changes at this time.

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#### **Global Context**

# **Findings**

4 students answered the globalization essay. The results for the globalization essay met the target with 100% scoring a 23 or higher and the average total score being 23.5 out of 25. The Item scores were 5, 5, and 4.3 respectively.

#### **Actions**

We met the target, and these scores are nearly the same as last year, with only a slight increase from 23.3 to 23.5.

The Globalization assessment, and the MBA program are still relatively new. We met the target but the sample is not yet large enough to make firm decisions so this result will continue to be assessed during the next assigned cycle.

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#### **Ethics**

## **Findings**

Only one student answered the Ethics Essay in Spring 2023 because we were not originally scheduled to assess this item in 2022-2023. That one student was added to the 7 from the prior year and those results (8 students) are reported here.

With 8 students, the results for the ethics essay met the target with 87.5% scoring 19 or higher and the average total score being 21 out of 25. The Item scores were 4.5, 4.1, and 4.1 respectively.

#### **Actions**

The Ethics assessment, and the MBA program are still relatively new. We met the target but the sample is not yet large enough to make firm decisions so this result will continue to be assessed during the next assigned cycle. We propose no changes because there is insufficient evidence for a change.

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## Exit Survey - Ethics and Social Responsibility

#### **Findings**

98.6% of the students reported that they are adequately (or better) prepared for Social Perspectives and Responsibilities in the following areas: Ethical, Sustainability, Diversity & Inclusion, Global, and Positive Societal Impact.

#### **Actions**

71 Students reported that they have adequately (or better) learned, or are adequately (or better) prepared in 100% of the items related to Social Perspectives and Responsibilities on the exit survey. One student's average suggested being poorly prepared.

The overall average response was 4.5 on a 5 point scale. Global perspectives scored the lowest at 4.3, which is still a good score each. 90.3% (66/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared. 8.3% (6) of

the students felt adequately prepared, with one student reporting in the poorly prepared range for global, sustainability, and diversity and inclusion preparedness.

There are no changes proposed relative to the Exit Survey results since we met the target and these results are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey.

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# **Goal 2: Summary/Comments**

The results suggest that targets are being met in sustainability, ethics, globalization and diversity and inclusion depending.

When the combined scores for both the diversity and the inclusion essays were considered, 97% of the students scored 16 or higher. This meets the target and is improved over last year when that percentage was 80.5%. The overall average improved from 18.7 to 21.7.

We met the Sustainability target in two consecutive years with a sample of 21 students total. The total average to date is 2.7 with 95% of the students scoring 2 or better, and 81% scoring 3, the highest score.

We met the target for globalization with scores nearly the same as last year, accompanies by a slight increase from 23.3 to 23.5.

The ethics essay results met the target with 87.5% scoring 19 or higher and the average total score being 21 out of 25. We met the target but the sample (8) is not vet large enough to make firm decisions so this result will be monitored during the next assigned cycle.

#### **Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal**

There are no changes proposed regarding the Exit Survey results since we met the target and these results are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey.

Additionally, we improved performance in most of the direct measures of Ethical and Social Responsibility. The MBA is still relatively new and there is no evidence to suggest the need for changes in these related outcomes.

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# Goal 2 Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results











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Rubric MBA

Ethics.pdf

MBA Exit Survey -Preparedness.pdf



















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#### Goal 3

# Integration Knowledge

# **Findings**

109 of the 109 students enrolled took the MFT and the average percentage of students with correct answers to Strategic Integration questions was 46%.

#### **Actions**

109 of the 109 students enrolled took the MFT and the average percentage of students with correct answers to Strategic Integration questions 46%. This is the same as 2021-2022. The Comparative Schools Mean was 45.8. The National mean was 47.9.

Only 45.8% of the A5 questions were answered correctly by at least 50% of our students but for 84.7% of the questions, the percentage of our students answering the question correctly was within 25% of (or better than) the national percentage of students answering each question correctly.

The strategic integration score of 46% is lower than the target of 48% but less than one standard deviation from the national norm and custom comparative schools. The questions outside the 25% mark were largely finance and accounting topics with only one classified as marketing.

These results are not great but give us a better indication of where we stand now that we have a larger sample of test takers.

We only partially met the target at 46%. We are close to the national mean at 47.9%. For 84.7% of the Strategic Integration questions, our students are within at least 25% of the National Percentage.

Since we now have an adequate sample of Lander MFT scores, the COB Graduate Council will be tasked to monitor the results and direct changes based on the MFT Item Analyses to determine which MFT Domain, Content Areas, and SubContent areas can be targeted for improvement, as appropriate.

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## Strategic View

## **Findings**

Not assessed this year. Due in 2023-2024.

#### **Actions**

None.

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# **Strategic Analysis**

#### **Findings**

Not assessed this year. Due in 2023-2024.

#### **Actions**

None.

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# Strategic Plan

# **Findings**

Not assessed this year. Due in 2023-2024.

#### **Actions**

None.

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# **Goal 3: Summary/Comments**

Outcomes 2, 3, and 4 were not assessed this year. They are assessed every other year an due again in 2023-2024.

Outcome 1 was assessed again because the MBA is still relatively new and the MFT is administered every year.

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# **Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal**

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# Goal 3 Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results







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# Files from the prior year follow here for convenience since they were not assessed in 2022-2023:







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## Goal 4

# **Creative Thinking**

## **Findings**

20 students took the Capstone course in Fall 2022 with this assessment.

65% (13/20) scored 8 or higher and the average score was 7.7. The first measured failed to achieve the target of 80%, and 70% for partially met. The item score for creative thinking was 4.0 and for decision-making 3.7.

## **Actions**

65% (13/20) scored 8 or higher, and the average score was 7.7. The first measure failed to achieve the target of 80%, and 70% for partially met. The item score for creative thinking was 4.0, and for decision-making 3.7.

These results show some improvement over the prior year's assessment as follows:

Total Average: 6.4 to 7.7

Creative Thinking: 4.2 to 4.0 (decrease)

Decision Making: 2.2 to 3.7

In response to last year's results, we decided to clarify the assignment and emphasize reflection on decisionmaking when answering the question. Although we did not meet the target, there was significant improvement in the overall score, the decision-making score, and the percentage of student answers that scored higher.

20% (4) of the 20 students scored poorly on both parts of their answer, which seems primarily due to a lack of effort compared to the other students. For example, these students' answers were noticeably brief. Because of the marked improvement, we propose no further changes at this time. This item will be assessed again in 2023-2024, and the proposals to clarify the assignment and emphasize reflection on decision-making will continue.

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# **Role of Leadership**

# **Findings**

Not assessed this year. Due in 2023-2024.

#### **Actions**

None.

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# **Analytical Skills**

# **Findings**

80 students across four industry groups engaged in the simulation. The weighted percentile average was 61.9 (averages are reported by industry with varying numbers of students in each).

#### **Actions**

80 students across four industry groups engaged in the simulation. The weighted average was 61.9 (averages are reported by industry with varying numbers of students in each). The standard deviation was 4.7.

We removed extremely low score outliers from this calculation because some students registered a zero because they did not participate. Others were nearly two or more standard deviations below the mean. The average with outliers was 58.5.

We re-assessed this outcome again this year because of last year's results, but those were also off the target due to outliers.

We met the target and propose no changes at this time. The data for this analysis comes from financial calculations during a very challenging simulation assessment. The MFT tells us that our students score low in the finance discipline, so achieving the 60+ percentile is a good outcome for this group. Finance is also an Exit Survey area where students report feeling less prepared.

Finance is already a focus area for the Graduate Council as they consider curriculum changes in the context of national data showing that student finance performance is generally lower than other disciplines.

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# **Interpret Data**

# **Findings**

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023, achieving an average score of 243, standard deviation 15. The national average was 246.5, and the standard deviation 7.9. We are within one-half standard deviation, so the target is met.

#### **Actions**

The average score is less than the national average but within the target range for our choice to measure analytic skills. Program goal one will focus on improving MFT scores when necessary, which in turn will impact this assessment of analytics skills.

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# Exit Survey - Analysis, Problems Solving, Leadership

# **Findings**

100% of the students reported that they are adequately (or better) prepared for Data Analysis, Problem-Solving, Decision-making, and Leadership in the workplace.

#### **Actions**

100% of the students reported that they are adequately (or better) prepared for Data Analysis, Problem-Solving, Decision-making, and Leadership in the workplace.

All 72 Students reported on average that they have adequately (or better) learned, or are adequately (or better) prepared in the skills items related to Data Analysis, Problem-Solving, Decision-making, and Leadership in the workplace.

The overall average response was 4.4 on a 5-point scale. Data Analysis scored the lowest at 4.0, which is still a well-prepared score. The other items scored 4.5 or better. 87.4% (61/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared regarding skills. The remaining 15.3 % (11) of the students report being adequately prepared.

We propose no changes relative to the Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these results are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey. Data Analysis scored low, which seems to be a consistent theme in various assessments, so this result will be referred to the Graduate Council for consideration.

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## **Goal 4: Summary/Comments**

Program Goal 4 examines outcomes related to effective leadership through sound decision-making, creative thinking, and problem-solving.

Outcome 2 was not assessed this year since it met the target last year. It will be assessed again in 2023-2024.

Outcomes 1, 3, and 4 were assessed since they are annual or did not meet the target. Outcome 5 was assessed for the first time since it is the Exit Survey for this new program.

## Outcome 1:

The results for Outcome 1 (creative thinking and sound decision-making) show some improvement over the prior year's assessment (Total Average: 6.4 to 7.7 and Decision Making: 2.2 to 3.7).

In response to last year's results, we decided to clarify the assignment and emphasize reflection on decisionmaking when answering the question. Although we did not meet the target, there was significant improvement in the overall score, the decision-making score, and the percentage of student answers that scored higher.

20% (4) of the 20 students scored poorly on both parts of their answer, which seems primarily due to a lack of effort compared to the other students. For example, these students' answers were noticeably brief. Because of the marked improvement, we propose no further changes at this time. This item will be assessed again in 2023-2024, and the proposals to clarify the assignment and emphasize reflection on decision-making will continue.

#### Outcome 3:

80 students across four industry groups engaged in the simulation. The weighted average was 61.9 (averages are reported by industry with varying numbers of students in each). The standard deviation was 4.7.

We removed extremely low score outliers from this calculation because some students registered a zero because they did not participate. Others were nearly two or more standard deviations below the mean. The average with outliers was 58.5.

We re-assessed this outcome again this year because of last year's results, but those were also off the target due to outliers.

We met the target and propose no changes at this time. The data for this analysis comes from financial calculations during a very challenging simulation assessment. The MFT tells us that our students score low in the finance discipline, so achieving the 60+ percentile is a good outcome for this group. Finance is also an Exit Survey area where students report feeling less prepared.

Finance is already a focus area for the Graduate Council as they consider curriculum changes in the context of national data showing that student finance performance is generally lower than other disciplines.

#### Outcome 4:

109 MBA students completed the MFT during AY 2022-2023, achieving an average score of 243, standard deviation 15. The national average was 246.5, and the standard deviation 7.9. We are within one-half standard deviation, so the target is met.

The average score is less than the national average but within the target range for our choice to measure analytic skills. Program goal one will focus on improving MFT scores when necessary, which in turn will impact this assessment of analytics skills.

#### Outcome 5:

100% of the students reported that they are adequately (or better) prepared for Data Analysis, Problem-Solving, Decision-making, and Leadership in the workplace.

All 72 Students reported on average that they have adequately (or better) learned, or are adequately (or better) prepared in the skills items related to Data Analysis, Problem-Solving, Decision-making, and Leadership in the workplace.

The overall average response was 4.4 on a 5 point scale. Data Analysis scored the lowest at 4.0, which is still a well-prepared score. The other items scored 4.5 or better. 87.4% (61/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared regarding skills. The remaining 15.3 % (11) of the students report being adequately prepared.

We propose no changes relative to the Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these results are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey. Data Analysis scored low, which seems to be a consistent theme in various assessments, so this result will be referred to the Graduate Council for consideration.

# **Changes Made/Proposed Related to Goal**

Outcome 1 will be assessed again in 2023-2024, and the proposal to clarify the assignment and emphasize reflection on decision-making will continue.

We met the target for Outcome 3 and propose no changes at this time. The data for this analysis comes from financial calculations during a very challenging simulation assessment. The MFT tells us that our students score low in the finance discipline, so achieving the 60+ percentile is a good outcome for this group. Finance is also an Exit Survey area where students report feeling less prepared.

Finance is already a focus area for the Graduate Council as they consider curriculum changes in the context of national data showing that student finance performance is generally lower than other disciplines.

We met the target for Outcome 4. Our average MFT score is less than the national average but within the target range for our choice to measure analytic skills. Since Program Goal One will focus on improving MFT scores when necessary, this will impact the assessment of analytics skills, so no action is required for this outcome at this time.

We propose no changes regarding the Outcome 5 Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these results are from the first administration of the Exit Survey. While Data Analysis scored lower than other skills, its score was still good. Data Analysis seems to be a consistent theme in various assessments, so this result will be referred to the Graduate Council for consideration.

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# Goal 4 Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results













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Files from the prior year follow here for convenience since they were not assessed in 2022-2023:



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#### Goal 5

#### **Micro-Credentials**

## **Findings**

All (100%) 72 students reported, on average, that they are adequately (or better) prepared for a job in their micro-credential and understand its relevance.

#### **Actions**

All (100%) 72 students reported, on average, that they are adequately (or better) prepared for a job in their micro-credential and understand its relevance.

The overall average response was 4.55 for preparation and 4.7 for understanding relevance.

90% (65/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared regarding the micro-credential, with the remaining 10 % (7) of the students reporting they were adequately prepared. 94% (68) reported understanding the relevance of the micro-credential (well or very well), with the remaining 6 % (4) of the students reporting adequate understanding.

The overall average for each Micro-Credential was:

- Organizational Leadership: 4.8
- Healthcare Management: 4.7
- Digital Marketing: 4.6
- Supply Chain/Ops Management: 4.4
- Financial Management: 4.4
- Business Analytics: 4.3

The Relevance average for each Micro-Credential was:

- Organizational Leadership: 4.9
- Healthcare Management: 4.8
- Digital Marketing: 4.6
- Supply Chain and Operations Management: 4.5
- Financial Management: 4.5
- Business Analytics: 4.5

The Preparedness average for each Micro-Credential was:

- Organizational Leadership: 4.8
- Healthcare Management: 4.7
- Digital Marketing: 4.6
- Supply Chain and Operations Management: 4.3

Financial Management: 4.3

• Business Analytics: 4.1

Students generally understood the relevance of their micro-credential. Regarding preparedness, the quantitative micro-credentials scored lower than the others but still in a positive range. Analytics scored the lowest, which has been a trend in the MBA assessment data and will be reported to the Graduate Council for further consideration.

We propose no changes in response to the Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these outcomes are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey.

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# **Career Readiness and Impact**

## **Findings**

On average, 98.6% of the students reported being adequately (or better) prepared for careers.

#### **Actions**

The overall average response was 4.6, with students feeling ready, relevant, resourceful, capable of forward-thinking, and able to impact society positively.

90% (65/72) of the students felt well prepared or very well prepared for careers. Six students reported being adequately prepared. Only one student was in the unprepared range at 2.6 out of 5.0.

We propose no changes in response to the Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these outcomes are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey.

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## **Goal 5: Summary/Comments**

Students generally understood the relevance of their micro-credential. Regarding preparedness, the quantitative micro-credentials scored lower than the others but still in a positive range. Analytics scored the lowest, which has been a trend in the MBA assessment data and will be reported to the Graduate Council for further consideration.

We propose no changes in response to the Exit Survey results since we met the target, and these outcomes are based on the first administration of the Exit Survey.

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## Goal 5 Artifacts, Instruments, Rubrics, Results





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