Evaluating and Assessing Collaborative Work

Engage Adaptation Award: Technology Enhanced Collaborative Group Work

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Introductions

- **Name, Department**

- **Brief Description of Project**

- **Why do we assess students?**
  OR

  **What does assessment mean to you?**
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<td>• Project level - <strong>Instructor</strong> led</td>
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<td>• Pre/Post Surveys</td>
<td>• <strong>Process</strong> and product</td>
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<td>• Measure change in <strong>attitudes</strong></td>
<td>(collaboration and content)</td>
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<td>• Gather <strong>evidence</strong> of best</td>
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<td>practices &amp; student work flow</td>
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<td>• Inform Spring semester and</td>
<td>• <strong>Formative</strong> and summative</td>
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<td><strong>dissemination</strong> phase</td>
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Not everything that counts can be counted, and not everything that can be counted counts.

-Albert Einstein
Assessment defines the character and quality of group work.

- McInnis and Devlin (2002)
“My grade should be based on my contribution to the project in combination with the final project grade (Each group member may receive a different grade).”

- 7-point likert scale, N=538
- 82.8% of students strongly agree, agree, or slightly agree
- Average = 5.7
“My grade should be based solely on the quality of the final product (Each group receives the same grade).”

- 7-point likert scale, N=538
- 22% of students strongly agree, agree, or slightly agree
- Average = 3.1
“Evaluations from my group members of my contribution to the group project should be calculated in my final grade”

- 7-point likert scale, N=538
- 68.7% of students strongly agree, agree, or slightly agree
- Average = 5.3
Small Group Discussion

What is your experience with assessing/grading group work?

What strategies have been successful? What challenges do you face?

What questions do you have about assessing/grading group work?
http://engage.doit.wisc.edu/collaboration