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Examples of Direct Measures

- Exit and other interviews
- Standardized exams
- Locally developed exams
- Portfolios
- Simulations
- Performance appraisal
- External examiner
- Oral exams
- Behavioral observations

Examples of Indirect Measures

- Written surveys and questionnaires
- Exit and other interviews (yes, they can also be direct measures!)
- Archival records
- Focus groups

Steps to Writing Program Indicators

- 1. Analyze a program outcome to determine how it is currently being assessed or how it could be assessed.
- 2. Develop a statement that indicates the method of assessment along with the specific characteristics students should exhibit to show achievement.
- 3. Name the expected performance using an observable action verb to define the expected learning.

Level of Learning to Define Success:

All students will demonstrate the capacity to use a core set of instruments. 30% will be certified by the faculty as expert users.

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