Welcome!

Introductions
What are the characteristics of the ideal graduate of WTAMU?
What do we need to make that happen?
What is a QEP?

- Quality Enhancement Plan
...carefully designed course of action that addresses a well-defined and focused topic or issue related to enhancing student learning and/or the environment supporting student learning and accomplishing the mission of the institution.
What is a QEP?

• Enhance overall quality and effectiveness

• Focus on an issue important to the institution to improve student learning
Qualities of a QEP

- Doable and measurable
- Involve all stakeholders in planning and implementation
- Establish and assess goals
What a QEP is not

- A box to check for reaffirmation process
- A program designed by the administration
What does this mean for you?

• Faculty

• Staff

• Students
What does SACS look for in a QEP?

To what extent:
• Is there an institutional process to identify key issues derived from institutional assessment?
• Are these issues focusing on university mission-focused learning outcomes?
• Is the QEP doable?
Steps

- Select a topic
- Define student learning outcomes
- Research the topic
- Identify actions to be implemented
- Establish implementation timeline
• Organize

• Identify resources

• Assess success of QEP

• Prepare QEP for submission
Fall 2013
• University-wide roundtables

November 2013
• Official request for proposals

March 2014
• All QEP proposals due

April-August 2014
• QEP committee reviews proposals
September 2014
- University-wide roundtables review top 3 proposals

October 2014
- QEP committee selects QEP and begins development

September 2015
- QEP committee reviews draft QEP in roundtable

January 2016
- QEP due to SACS
• Student profile
  ◦ Who are they?
  ◦ Strengths?
  ◦ Areas for improvement?
  ◦ Assessment results
  ◦ Other data
• Putting all the information together

• Brainstorming ideas for topics
  ◦ What should our QEP do?
Questions? Comments?