

WEAVEonline Glossary of Terms (Excerpts)

(full glossary can be found at: <http://app.weaveonline.com/HelpFiles/WEAVEonline-Glossary-15JAN10.pdf>)

Academic Direct Measure: method that examines student work or performance

Academic Indirect Indicator: method that gathers perceptions of student work or performance

Achievement Target: overall level for satisfactory performance on a Measure-Outcome/Objective combination

Action Plan: activity sequence designed to help entity better accomplish intended outcomes/objectives

Active through Cycle: last cycle this data element will be present

Administrative Measure: method that gauges entity effectiveness in non-learning areas

Assessment: process to answer - Are our efforts bringing forth the desired results?

Association: key area to which an outcome/objective has a significant tie

Cycle: span of time for a single assessment sequence

Established in Cycle: initial cycle for this data element

Goal: broad statement about desired ends

Measure: method to gauge achievement of expected results

Mission / Purpose: highest aims, intentions, and activities of the entity

Objective: active-verb description of specific point or task entity will accomplish or reach – can be assessed!

Outcome: active-verb description of a desired end result related to the entity mission – can be assessed!

Responsible Person/Group: person or group responsible for implementing action plan

Source of Evidence: type of measure used to collect assessment data

Strategic Plan: a long-term, practical, action-oriented document resulting from the strategic planning process

Student Learning Outcome: created and designated by an entity as an Outcome/Objective in which students must gain knowledge, skills, or ability by the end of a specified time period (ex. end of semester, end of course of study).