Dear All,

We have just completed administering the Human Diversity Survey as our college-wide assessment activity for fall, 2005. I am thrilled to report that we had 870 students participate in the survey which is just over 12% of open enrollment. The demographics of the survey-takers match our general demographics very closely, which means that we have a valid sample of students.

I’d like to personally thank all of the instructors who volunteered to take a section down to the computer lab to participate in the survey. I’d also like to thank Florinda Bayod who supported the survey in the open computer lab all week and who scheduled lab technicians to monitor the lab at all hours. In addition, there were many members of the Assessment Committee who volunteered their time to monitor the lab during survey hours. The members of this committee continue to be some of the hardest-working, flexible and supportive members of our faculty. I’d name all of the volunteers here, but there are too many to fit in my little column.

Until Next Time,

From the Chair
Jen Asimow

Committee Meeting Highlights

- The Committee finalized the Human Diversity Survey and prepared it for administration.
- The committee is reviewing the most current reports of last AY’s CCSSE.
- The committee approved the art for the Human Diversity Survey, designed by Armen Sarrafian.
- The sub-committee designing the Assessment Website is beginning to develop the site and will be posting pertinent material soon.
- The committee wrote and approved all of the information disseminated for the Human Diversity Survey.
By Todd Heldt

Harold Washington College depends on assessment tools to provide students with optimal learning and the most gratifying educational experience possible. Assessment tools, such as the Community College Student Report and the Human Diversity Survey, will help us determine where we succeed as a college and how we can continue to succeed in the future.

Recognizing the importance of such tools to our faculty and students, Sherry Ledbetter, the director of the HWC Library, has created a special collection of books on assessment. The books delve into such complex areas as self study, methodology, evaluation, and outcomes. You will find these books near the main reference desk in the library. Feel free to stop by and check them out.

In addition to the assessment collection, the library also has access to hundreds of related articles through ProQuest and EBSCO. By performing a subject search for Educational Evaluation AND Quality of Education, you will find a wealth of useful information. As always, if you have any questions about how to access these materials, feel free to ask the librarians for assistance.

CHECK OUT THESE WEBSITES

http://education.auburn.edu/aboutthecollege/diversity/index.html

There are 3 surveys about Human Diversity. Take a look at the one for Faculty and Staff.

Dates to Remember:

November 16—Assessment Meeting 3PM
November 23—Assessment Meeting 3PM
November 30—Assessment meeting 3PM
December 7—Assessment Meeting 3PM

All Meetings are in Room 1029