## Program Assessment

The Final Touches

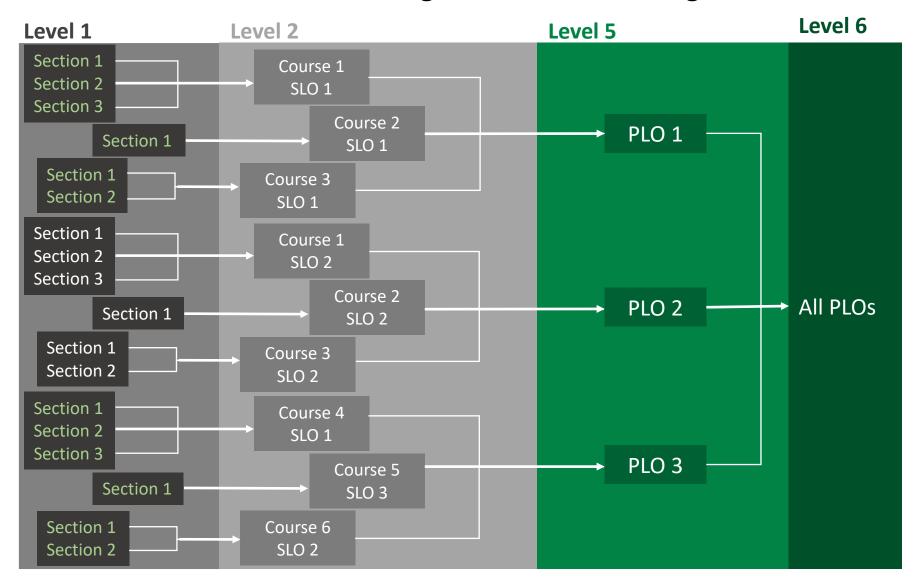


#### Are you ready for this?

- You need to know:
  - Which Student Learning Outcomes (SLOs) are mapped to your Program Learning Outcomes (PLOs)
  - Whether the mapped SLOs have been assessed, and if data are entered in curriqunet Meta
    - Level 1 and Level 2 assessments must be completed for each mapped SLO you plan to use to assess your program
- Training on how to deal with all of the above items is available on the LAC webpage!



#### How the Levels in Meta Work Together To Build a Program Assessment





### How frequently do you need to assess programs?

- Each program should be assessed about every 4 years, in alignment with your department's program review cycle
- If your department has a lot of programs, it's reasonable to have your cycle be a bit longer
- Establish a reasonable and regular schedule for program assessment
- If you have stackable certificates with a degree, that makes it relatively easy to stay current
- If you have an AA and an AA-T, you get two for one on program assessment
- Assessing programs is part of maintaining your curriculum
  - If you can't maintain all of your departmental programs, you might consider deactivating some in your curriculum review process



#### Do you need to use ALL mapped SLOs?

- No, but there's a reason your department mapped the outcomes in a particular way, so use as many as you can
- Programs with capstone courses might use primarily the SLOs for those courses to assess the program
- The more courses used to assess the program, the more likely you'll be able to find learning gaps and be able to address them



#### Best practices apply to ALL levels of assessment

- An excellent program assessment...
  - Reflects a genuine effort at assessing curriculum
  - Demonstrates a degree of detail and also draws bigger picture conclusions
  - Is collaborative
  - Is clear and detailed so other folks, including future you, understand the assessment



#### **Program Assessment Naming Conventions**

- Level 5 (one PLO in the program)
  - Degree/certificate name or abbreviation
  - Which PLO
  - Semester and year of assessment
  - For example:
    - AS Science PLO 1 Fall 2022
- Level 6 (PLO aggregate)
  - Degree/certificate name or abbreviation
  - Semester and year of assessment
  - For example:
    - AS Science Fall 2022



# Creating Level 5 and Level 6 Assessments

Let's jump into curriqunet Meta!

